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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

In the U. S. Senate, Allen of Nebraska, offered a resolution providing for the free coinage of silver at the ratio of sixteen to one; in the House the Civil Service debate continued throughout the day. —— Theo. Durrant was hanged at 10.35 A. M. yesterday at San Quentin, Cal., for the murder of Blanche Lamont; he maintained his composure to the last. —— The New York dry goods market remains unchanged, with prices very low and demand exceedingly light. —— Bradstreets reports the general business outlook not inferior to any previous year at this time. —— British steamer Madura, from Cardiff for Wilmington, towed into St. Michael's, disabled. —— Three negro murderers hanged on the same gallows at Hahnville, La. —— The Senatorial situation in Ohio is practically unchanged. —— No testimony was heard yesterday in the North Carolina railroad lease case by Special Master Craige, the Court having adjourned until the 12th inst. —— Mrs. Mary Sandbrink, a widow, shot fatally Dr. Shep A. Rogers, a prominent physician of Memphis, and then committed suicide. —— A Japanese fleet has been placed under orders of the British commander-in-chief of the China station. —— The Democratic members of the Maryland House, with the twelve Republican bolters, elected Louis Schaefer, Republican, Speaker. —— Frauds in money order accounts have been discovered in the Postoffice Department. —— Two colored men lynched by negroes in Kemper county, Miss. —— Report that Gen. Fitz Lee will accompany Gen. Blanco on a mission to propose autonomy to Gomez is not believed in Washington. —— All the window glass factories in the United States will be put in operation to-day. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 3@3½ per cent., last loan at 2½ per cent. and closed at 2½@3½ per cent.; cotton steady—middling 5 15-16c; flour fairly active and firmer; wheat—spot strong; No. 2 red $1.01½; corn—spot firm; No. 2 35½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady at 33½@34c.

WEATHER REPORT.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

An area of high barometer covers the southeast Atlantic and central Gulf States. A storm area of decided energy is central over the upper lakes, with trough extending southwest to Texas. Heavy winds prevail over the lakes, with cloudiness increasing southeast to the coast. Fair weather prevails over all other sections, with warmer conditions generally reported. It will be much warmer over this locality Saturday.

Local forecast to 12 midnight Saturday—Generally fair; warmer weather; southerly winds. Conditions favor showers by Sunday.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. 3.6 feet.

Port Almanac---January 8.

Sun Rises	7.10 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.05 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 56 M.
High Water at Southport	7.51 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	9.31 A. M.

The Duke of Galiera has the stamps, old stamps. He has been collecting them since 1870 and his hoard is now valued at $1,250,000.

A good hypnotizer might get a job from Hon. Mark Hanna if he would enter into a contract to hypnotize those few anti-Hanna Republican legislators.

Gen. Weyler says that Cuba is lost to Spain. The probabilities are that Gen. Weyler made this discovery before he left Cuba, but wouldn't own it.

It is said that it cost something over $15,000,000 to feed and care for the starving people of India, and still thousands died of starvation and diseases resulting from it.

It is said that Mark Hanna is almost worn out by the strain he has been under since the Senatorial scrimmage began. The other fellows have been trying to wear him out.

Some burglars have no conscience. They would rob the poor box in a church. Some of them the other night actually robbed the office of the Standard Oil Company at Syracuse, N. Y.

The Hartford, Conn., *Times*, alleged Democrat, says the free silver Republicans in Congress are really "Bryanites in disguise." If so, their disguise is the most respectable part of their makeup.

Gen. Blanco announces that he will soon take the field in Cuba. Gen. Weyler used to take the field occasionally and when he did he took everything in sight that was worth taking and he could carry away.

Ten years ago there were very few white men in Rhodesia, South Africa. Six hundred miles of railway have been constructed in the past nineteen months, and recently the road to Bulowayo was completed, and the town is lighted by electricity.

As if war was not already shocking enough, an inventive fiend has submitted to the chief of the ordinance of the army, an electric sword, which just as soon as it touches a fellow sends a current of electricity through him and stuns him so that all that is to be done is pick him up and tote him off. The stunner carries in his pocket the little battery which supplies the current that does the work.

The first bank ever established in Rowan county, Kentucky, was opened a few days ago, and in a somewhat unusual manner—with prayer. On some future occasion it may be opened with a jimmy. Rowan used to be a pretty hot county, but the fact that it has a bank and opened it with prayer, is indicative of progress and reform.

Bishop Potter, of New York, rises to remark that "we are settling down to the level of the old countries where profits are not made so rapidly as here." The trouble is that we are settling down to the level that lots of people are not making any profits at all, and a good many of them are not making their salt.

The Clinton *Democrat* tells about a colored boy not far from Clinton who went hunting the other day, and "coming to a parade rest slapped his hand over the muzzle of his gun." The gun went off and so did one of his fingers.

The pension attorneys do not look upon Commissioner of Pensions Clay Evans as a "brick."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Meeting—Oakdale lot-owners.
Opera House—"Humpty Dumpty."

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Y. M. C. A.—Star course.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. W. C. Townsend, of Lowe, was here yesterday.

— Mr. H. E. Bonitz has gone to Raleigh on business.

— Mr. J.-H. Lewis, of Hamlet, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. R. C. Pridgen, of Warsaw, was one of yesterday's hotel registrations.

— We are glad to note Mr. Louis Rowell is able to resume his duties at Gerken's Cigar Emporium.

— Mr. M. Young, the gold wire artist, who has been here for some time will leave in a few days.

— Mr. W. H. Gilbert and family, formerly of Wilmington and later of Bennettsville, have removed to Winston where Mr. Gilbert has taken a position with Messrs. Brown, Rogers & Co.

ANCIENT ESSENIC ORDER.

Installation of Officers of Oriana Senate No. 818.

At a regular meeting of Oriana Senate, No 818, Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order held last night officers were installed as follows:

Excellent Senator—Jas. Fore.
Senior Seneschal—W. C. Peterson.
Junior Seneschal—Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., 3rd.
Secretary—H. B. Jewett.
Treasurer—W. A. Willson, Jr.
Sarcedos—R. W. Wallace.
Surgen—Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy.
Senior Vigilante—E. T. Huggins.
Junior Vigilante—W. A. French, Jr.
Warder—A. P. Adrian.
Orator—J. H. Gore, Jr.
Trustee for three years—W. F. Robertson.

The Star Course.

The second attraction in the Y. M. C. A. star course comes next Tuesday night, January 11th—the Rogers-Grilley Recitals. This is a first-class entertainment, and judging from the courses in which the gentlemen are engaged, the very complimentary things said of them everywhere and the number of places which they have visited more than once, those who attend will have a treat. Mr. Von Veachton Rogers is a gifted and skilled musician, having appeared in concerts with Melba, Nordica, Juch, and such celebrities. His instrument is the harp. Mr. Chas. Grilley, his companion, is one of the most successful and popular entertainers on the platform. He gives both dramatic and humorous selections.

Justice Bornemann's Court.

Justice Bornemann tried three cases yesterday.

Carrie Davis, charged with assault and battery on Sallie Landcliff (both colored) was discharged upon payment of costs.

Wm. H. Davis (colored) disorderly conduct, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

Sallie Landcliff was found guilty of assaulting Carrie Davis but, judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

Receipts of Cotton.

Receipts of cotton continue heavy both at Wilmington and at other cotton ports. The receipts here for the week ending yesterday were 3,919 bales, against 2,185 bales for the corresponding week of last year.

The total port receipts for the week ending yesterday were 293,684 bales, the corresponding figures for 1897 being 163,370, while the figures for the same week in the banner cotton year 1894-95, were only 210,910 bales.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The usual weekly statement of cotton and naval stores appears in the commercial columns.

— The partial eclipse of the moon took place last evening. The sky was clear and everybody had a good view of it.

— The annual meeting of the lot-owners of Oakdale Cemetery will be held at the company's office, at 114 Princess sreet, Monday evening, Jan. 10, at 8 o'clock.

— The marriage of Mr. Charles H. Westbrook to Miss Mary McIntire the daughter of Mr. R. M. McIntire, will be celebrated at 6 P. M., at the First Presbyterian Church, on Jan. 19. The young couple will go on a bridal trip to Florida.

— "All is harmony now among the New Hanover Republicans," say those who will soon have access to the government corn-crib; but just wait until you hear from those who will have to feed on the cobs. Then "there'll be a hot time in the old town."

— At a meeting of the Emancipation Proclamation Society held last night officers were elected as follows: Andrew Walker, President; Luke Grady, vice-president.; James Howe, secretary; Elijah Green, treasurer, and John Holloway, chief marshal.

— Concord *Journal*: "The Wilmington STAR appeared in a bright new outfit New Year's morning. It is the oldest daily in the State, and its editor and proprietor, Mr. W. H. Bernard, has seen longer continuous service in the business than any other member of the daily press in the State."

— Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rendleman, of Salisbury, have issued cards of invitation to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Margarete V. Rendleman, to Mr. John F. Rulfs, of this city. The happy event will take place at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, Jan. 18, at Salisbury, and Mr. Rulfs and wife will be at home, 406 Walnut street, this city, after Feb. 3rd.

AMATEUR ENTERTAINMENT.

Spectacular Opera Entitled "Aben Ali," in Preparation, to be Given This Month.

Prof. A. L. Baker, of Chicago, Ill., who is very pleasantly remembered here as the instructor for "Midado" and "The Pirates of Penzance," arrived in the city yesterday afternoon. Mr. Baker comes, at the request of the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters, to arrange for the presentation of a new spectacular opera, entitled "Aben Ali," on January 27th, 28th and 29th. The caste will number 125 people, including twenty fairies, thirty-two cannibals, sixteen flower girls and about fifty for the chorus, and will, without doubt, be the grandest production of opera ever given by amateurs. In conversation with a STAR reporter last night Prof. Baker stated he thinks our people will be well pleased with "Aben Ali," as the libretto presents a very pretty story and the music is both new and catchy.

Prof. Baker scored quite a hit with the piece at Huntington, W. Va., where he last presented it.

Rehearsals will commence this afternoon at Concordia Hall.

HANOVER LODGE I. O. O. F.

Officers for the Ensuing Year Installed Last Night.

At a regular meeting of Hanover Lodge No. 145, held last night, P. G., J. J. Hopkins, acting as District Deputy, installed the following officers:

P. G.—H. E. Bonitz.
N. G.—J. O. Wiggs.
V. G.—McL. Ball.
R. S.—S. G. Hall.
F. S.—C. B. Allen.
T.—W. H. Howell.
O. G.—M. C. Raynor.
S. G.—J. D. Beasley.
Warden—S. B. Northrop.
Con.—C. C. Blake.
Chap.—Jas. W. Kramer.
R. S. N. G.—F. P. Baldwin.
L. S. N. G.—J. F. Casteen.
R. S. V. G.—R. P. Johnson.
L. S. V. G.—A. Robertson.
R. S. S.—J. M. Chadwick.
L. S. S.—J. W. Vaun.

THE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

A Meeting of the Board of Directors Held Yesterday.

The Board of Directors of the Merchants' Association met yesterday afternoon in the association rooms in the S. A. L. building on North Front street, Major W. A. Johnson, the president presiding, with Mr. P. Heinsberger secretary.

It was ordered that a meeting of all the members of the Association be called for 8 P. M., January 26th. All members are earnestly requested to attend this meeting. After transacting other business of importance, the meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the president.

The Merchants' Association is doing a good work for the city, and now has under consideration, the STAR is informed, several matters of great importance to the business community.

Charged with Larceny.

Upon a warrant issued by Justice R. H. Bunting, Deputy Sheriff J. P. Flynn arrested on night before last Michael Davidson, charged with larceny by trick of $7.00 from Mercer & Thomas. Under affidavit of removal the case was transferred to Justice McGowan, who bound Davidson over to the Criminal Court in the sum of $50. Upon his failure to give bond the defendant was committed.

AT REST IN OAKDALE.

Funeral Services of the Late Mrs. Fulton and the Late Miss Eliza Reston.

The remains of the late Mrs. Catherine A. Fulton, formerly of this city, but who died on Wednesday last, at the home of her son-in-law in Portsmouth, arrived here at 12.05 P. M. yesterday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wright and family. They were met at the depot by the pall-bearers and taken to St. Thomas' church, where they remained until the hour for the funeral.

The funeral took place at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon; the solemn services being conducted by Rev. C. Dennen. A solo, "Abide in Jesus," was rendered by Miss Maie O'Connor and there was another solo by Mrs. Jos. H. Watters, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." As the remains were being borne from the church, the hymn "Asleep in Jesus" was rendered by a choir composed of Miss Maie O'Connor, Mrs. Jos. H. Watters, Miss Marion Banks, J. W. Reilly, R. C. Banks, and James O. Reilly. The organ accompaniment to all the selections was played by Miss Mary Monk.

The interment was made at Oakdale Cemetery, and there was a profusion of handsome floral designs, as tributes of love and respect for the deceased. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. Alves Walker, T. D. Meares, John Cowan, D. O'Connor, Jos. H. Watters, J. E. Crow, W. P. Price and Dr. W. E. Storm.

MISS ELIZA RESTON.

The funeral of the late Miss Eliza Reston took place yesterday morning from St. James' church, Rev. Robert Strange officiating, and being assisted by Rt. Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson and Rev. G. M. Tolsou. The hymns rendered were "A Charge to Keep I Have," and "Asleep in Jesus." After the services at the church were concluded, the casket was borne to the hearse and the funeral procession moved to Oakdale Cemetery, where the remains of this truly good woman were laid to rest under a mound made beautiful with flowers which loving hands had brought. The pall bearers were Messrs. Walter Smallbones, W. L. Smith, Jas. C. Stevenson, Jr., Clayton Giles, Jr., Cuthbert Martin and J. V. Grainger.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL

At Which Santa Claus Was Present. A Pleasing Programme Presented.

Bladen Street M. E. Church was crowded to its utmost capacity on Thursday evening. The occasion which brought this large assemblage together was a Christmas tree for the Sunday School scholars. On each side of the chancel there was a Christmas tree lighted with burning tapers and properly ornamented. Behind the pulpit was an imitation of a chimney with "Welcome" over the fireplace from which Santa Claus and the Brownies appeared, and it was amusing at one stage of the proceedings to see old Santa and the Brownies snowballing one another.

The pastor, Rev. G. D. Langston, appeared at his best, and the fast hold he is taking upon his congregation shows the wisdom of the conference in appointing him to this charge the present year.

Mr. A. P. Merritt, the superintendent of the school, was master of ceremonies, and the following programme was successfully carried out.

Scriptual Lesson	Pastor
Song	Choir
Recitation	Bryant Merritt
Recitation	Carrie Newton
Song	Choir
Recitation	Lila Skipper
Song	Louise Yates
Recitation	Nellie Skipper
Recitation and Song	Six Children
Recitation	Rosa Barnitz and Bryant Merritt
Song	Choir
Recitation	Henry Sellars
Song	Lila Skipper and Louise Yates
Recitation	Rosa Barnitz
Song	Choir
Recitation	Louise Yates
Recitation	George Newton
Song	Choir
Distribution of Presents	Santa Claus
Song, "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again"	Choir and Congregation
Benediction	Pastor

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—315 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 4 bbls tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—264 bales cotton, 16 casks spirits turpentine, 295 bbls rosin, 46 bbls tar, 6 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—26 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 66 bbls rosin, 10 bbls tar,

C. F. & Y.V. Railroad—76 bales cotton, 19 casks spirits turpentine, 72 bbls rosin, 22 bbls tar.

W. & N. Railroad—47 bales cotton.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—6 bales cotton, 29 casks spirits turpentine, 200 bbls rosin, 69 bbls tar.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—5 bales cotton, 20 bbls tar.

Schooner Lear—6 bbls tar, 11 bbls turpentine.

Total—Cotton 739 bales; spirits turpentine, 74 casks; rosin, 633 bbls, tar 177 bbls; crude turpentine, 17 bbls.

The Great Fight in Ohio.

Probably no contest for a United States Senatorship ever attracted so much attention as does that now going on in Ohio. Throughout the country Democrats and Republicans alike turn to the telegraphic departments of the morning dailies to read the "latest from Ohio." The STAR keeps its readers fully advised of the details of the great struggle of Mark Hanna for political existence.

INTERESTING CASE.

Trial Of E. F. Hanna, Charged With Stealing a Life Insurance Policy.

DEFENDANT FOUND GUILTY.

Sentenced to Two Years Imprisonment In the State Penitentiary---An Appeal Granted---Other Cases in the Criminal Court.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning the Criminal Court resumed the hearing of the argument in the case of the State vs. E. F. Hanna, agent of the Immediate Benefit Life Insurance Company of Baltimore, Md. C. P. Lockey, Esq., addressed the Court for the State. He spoke for about an hour, contending: 1. That the State's witnesses showed that the defendant did not get the policy at all from Alice Faison; that the defendant's testimony was unworthy of belief, he being an interested witness and his evidence having been contradicted by other witnesses; 2. That he did get it from Alice Anderson and got it with felonious intent.

Counsel for prosecution argued that it was all a question of whether the jury believed the State's witnesses or the defendant and his witnesses; if the former, then it was a clear case of larceny, if the latter, then the defendant was not guilty.

The defendant's counsel read prayers for instruction as follows:

1. If the jury believe from the evidence that the policy of insurance in dispute was issued by the Immediate Benefit Life Insurance Company of Baltimore instead of the Immediate Life Insurance Company that the *allegata* and the *probata* do not correspond, and therefore they should find the defendant not guilty.

2. If the jury believe from the evidence that the said policy was taken out upon the life of the said Lovey Faison, the child, payable at death, to Alice Faison, then the property is incorrectly laid, as the beneficiary is the sole owner of this property, and therefore you should hold the defendant not guilty, as the *allegata* and *probata* do not correspond.

3. If the jury believe from the evidence and the Court should hold that Lovey Faison, who is now dead and was dead at the finding of this bill, that then the property is not correctly described as it should be laid in the administrator of said Lovey Faison and therefore the *allegation* and *probate* do not correspond and the jury should render a verdict of not guilty.

4. If the jury believe that Hanna, the defendant, had no intent to steal the policy, but that the said policy was taken by him under the belief that he had a right to take it by a violation of a condition of the policy, or if he was carrying out in good faith the instructions of the company, believing that the said company had the right to cancel the policy, that he would not be guilty of any crime except that of trespass, even though he had no right in law to take the policy.

5. There can be no larceny without felonious intent, and if the jury believes from all the evidence that he was acting in good faith and had no felonious intent, he would not be guilty.

6. The jury must be satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt, first, that the defendant took the policy without the consent of Alice Faison; and, second, that he did not take it in good faith and under a *bona fide* belief that he had a right to take it. And if they have a reasonable doubt as to either one of these questions, they should give the defendant the benefit of the doubt and declare him not guilty.

7. If the jury believe that the defendant Hanna believed that he had the right to cancel the policy on account of the health of the assured, (being falsely stated at the time the application was made), and did not cancel it, even if he took it by force, he would not be guilty.

His Honor gave prayer 5 and a part of prayer 6. His charge to the jury recited "the question for your consideration is whether or not the policy was obtained from Alice Faison, or Alice Anderson, whom she left in charge, by trick, deception, artifice, or fraud, with a felonious intent."

The jury, consisting of E. P. H. Strunck, B. F. Penny, T. W. Wood, R. W. Merritt, I. Shrier, John L. Dudley, J. F. Hines, O. A. Wiggins, William Gerken, Henry, Penny, Thomas Green and P. D. Cowan, after being out about an hour, brought in a verdict of guilty, and the Solicitor prayed the judgment of the Court. Jno. D. Bellamy, Esq., made a motion for a new trial, stating at length the grounds upon which the motion was made. He argued in support of the motion, as did also Thos. Mackenzie, Esq., of Baltimore, while C. P. Lockey, Esq., argued against it. The motion was overruled.

A motion made in arrest of judgment on the ground of defects in the bill was also overruled and Judge Sutton gave judgment that the defendant be confined two years in the State penitentiary. An appeal was taken and granted, an appeal bond of $25 and an appearance bond of $300 being required. The defendant made the deposit and was discharged.

Other cases disposed of during the day were as follows:

States vs. John Chestnut, assault and battery with deadly weapon, Submission. Judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. John Galloway. Larceny; submitted. Judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Reuben Wiggins. Larceny; not guilty.

State vs. Amos Williams. Larceny. Verdict not guilty.

The case against Sam Livingston for secret assault and that against Reuben Wiggins for carrying a concealed weapon, went over till to-day.

— In a telegram of condolence to the relatives of the late Mrs. Catherine A. Fulton in Norfolk, Cardinal Gibbons said; "The world has lost a good Christian, and I a valued friend."

AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

The "Merry Makers" Presented a Good Play Last Evening---Matinee and Evening Performance To-day.

The "Merry Makers," much to the delight of the audience, were once more before them last night. From the rise of the curtain on the first act until the final drop on the last, the applause was fast and loud. To enumerate and pick out the good qualities and ability of each in the cast would take up much space. To let theatre-loving people know what they are, will say they are good; in fact, they are probably the strongest repertoire company on the road, and if merit deserves a reward they should have packed houses.

Miss Childress the charming and fascinating little soubriette does not fail to catch and captivate her audience, by her winning manners, cute songs and nice dancing Miss Radcliffe proves her ability by her fine acting and clearly demonstrating that she has a just claim at the head of the cast in the feminine line. Mr. Berger as a comedian is good, clever and accommodating. He was tired long before the audience and refused to respond to the many encores. Mr. Holmes comes in for his share of the praise, for he is perfectly at home and did some very clever acting in the character he represented. All were bang up and did their part towards maintaining the strength of the company.

At the matinee this afternoon will be presented "Humpty Dumpty." Mr. Rhodes, we are happy to say, will be well enough to appear in the title role. To-night, as the farewell performance, they will produce "The Heart of Cuba," a scene from that isle, using all mechanical effects, costumes and paraphernalia necessary to give a first-class performance. One or two ladies will be admitted free to-night if accompanied by a person holding a 30-cent ticket.

THE FISHBLATE FAILURE.

Suit for Damages Instituted by Mr. S. H. Fishblate.

A suit was instituted yesterday in the Superior Court by Mr. S. H. Fishblate against Wallerstein & Klee, of New York, and Mr. F. H. Stedman, of this city, for damages which Mr. Fishblate claims to have suffered as the result of an attachment suit brought against him by Wallerstein & Klee, and which was vacated by Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court. Mr. Stedman is made a party to the action by reason of his having been surety on the attachment bond. He is fully indemnified by the parties to the attachment suit.

Mr. Fishblate has retained as his counsel Geo. Rountree, Esq.. Col. Thos. W. Strange and Ricaud & Bryan and Wallerstein & Klee will probably have the same counsel as in the attachment suit, namely, John D. Bellamy, Esq., and Frank McNeill, Esq. The suit will be heard at the April term of the court.

KNIGHTS OF GOLDEN EAGLE.

Stonewall Jackson Castle No. 2---Officers Installed.

At the regular meeting of Stonewall Jackson Castle No. 2, Knights of the Golden Eagle, held last night, D. S. C. J. A. Orrell installed the following officers:

P. C.—J. H. Swinson.
N. C.—B. F. Duke.
V. C.—J. A. Temple.
H. P.—S. P. Hewett.
V. H.—R. A. Culpepper,
M. of R.—L. H. Vollers.
K. of E.—J. A. Orrell.
C. of E.—P. R. Fowler.
S. H.—C. P. Driver.
W. B.—G. J. Beach.
W. C.—S. W. Holden.
Ensign—W. R. Bonham.
Esq.—J. Ward.
F. G.—J. S. Coleman.
S. G.—G. W. Branch.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice January 6th, 1898.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Miss Mary Brown, Mrs Thos Bowman, Miss Hannah Jane Case, Miss Mariana King, Mrs W F Kenny, Mrs Maud L Lee, Mrs Lizzie Malpass, Miss Phirlema McGore, Mrs Mealie Peaken, Mrs Carrie Sanders, Mrs Catherine Stokes.

MEN'S LIST.

Tallington Allen, Clem Bryan, Charlie Boyakin, D J Brown, Columbus Spirit Co, A J Cummings, Moses Dunlop, William Evans, C Fridere, Charley Fremond, A J Howard, J J Lewis, Oliver Lewis, Julian Lewis & Co, A F Messick, J W McKay, W S Noble, C H Polley, R L Rogers, L W Russ, Geo Strickland, Harry L Steele, W F Sawyer, Chas A Walls, Gilbert Walden, Richard Williams, M Stevens.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

John Evun, Henry Jackson.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead lettter office.

GEO. L. MORTON, Postmaster.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

What the Railroad Commission of South Carolina Say of the System.

The annual report of the railroad commissioners of South Carolina has this reference to the Atlantic Coast Line:

This system has made material improvement in all its lines, both as to permanent betterment as well as general equipment.

A large sum has been expended in new cars and to equip freight cars with automatic couplings and air brakes.

The following are some of the itemized improvements: 20,000 cubic yards of ballast, 2,500,000 square feet of lumber, used during the year, and also 188,300 new cross-ties.

STEADFAST AND TRUE.

Brother Furman Praises the Star and Grows Retrospective—He's is One of the Old Ones Himself.

[*Raleigh Morning Post.*]

We lift our hat to our venerable friend of the Wilmington STAR, the journalistic nestor of the State. On the first instant Bro. Bernard celebrated more than the thirtieth anniversary of his connection with the STAR, and naturally does so "dressed in his best suit of clothes," a bright, brand new suit at that, from tip to toe. During this third of a century our Wilmington luminary has been as steadfast to the true interest of the State and its best people, as its namesake around which the whole world is said to make diurnal revolution. May it continue many more years growing in grace and good works.

Mr. Bernard, as he states, has been continuously editing the STAR for more than thirty years. There are only four in the State now living, we think, who were connected with the State press thirty years ago; besides Mr. Bernard, Dr. Kingsbury of the *Messenger*, Col. Creacy of the Elizabeth City *Economist*, and this writer. What changes have taken place during that time. The four battled for good government during the dark days of reconstruction, and we are gratified that the four still live and are still united in the same holy cause—resisting the rule and oppression of the wicked whom the people have been misled by bad men to permit to again obtain control. And may we all live to see the wicked flee from the wrath of an outraged and abused people as we witnessed it "twenty years ago, dear Tom."

TAR-HEELS FIGHTING FOR PIE AND THINGS.

It Is Reported That Dancy Will Be Appointed Collector of Customs Next Week.

[*News and Observer.*]

WASHINGTON, January 6.—The Tarheel Republicans were at the White House to-day in force and they were after pie. Senator Pritchard with Governor Russell were in the push. Of course, they had an audience with the President, and it related to the appointment of the District Attorney for the Eastern district. Friends of Gov. Russell say he only called to pay his respects, but those in a position to know say he called with Pritchard to urge the appointment of Cook. The President, it is said, informed the Governor that Cook could not be considered in connection with the office, and that he had decided to appoint some other man, but did not mention the name of the lucky applicant.

It is believed, however, that Bernard is the man the President had in mind, as the President is very anxious to do something for Congressman Skinner.

It is not likely that this appointment will be made this week, and now another North Carolina negro is going to get something good. According to the story circulated in North Carolina circles to-day, Jno. C. Dancy, who was beaten by Cheatham for recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia, is to be appointed Collector of Customs at Wilmington. Senator Pritchard, it is reported, promised the office to Dancy, and it is given out to-day that Dancy will be appointed next week.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

Church Notices.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D., Pastor. Divine service at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Baptism at the morning service. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Young people's prayer meeting at 7.30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8.00 p. m. Seats free.

Grace Methodist E. Church, South, northeast corner of Grace and Fourth streets, Rev. A. P. Teyer, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. Experience meeting at 10 a. m. in the lecture room. Weekly Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday evening at 8.00 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to attend these services.

Fifth Street M. E. Church, South, situated on Fifth street, between Nun and Church, Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 4.00 p. m. The public cordially invited to all services.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, Pastor. Sabbath services at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Junior Y. P. S. C. E. 10 a. m. Senior Y. P. S. C. E. 6.45 p. m. Sabbath School at 3.30 p. m. Prayer and Praise Wednesday at 8 p. m. All welcome. Seats free.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Rev. P. C. Morton, pastor. The week of prayer services close with communion service and reception Sunday night after sermon on the death of Jesus.

Rev. G. D. Bernheim, pastor of St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, Brooklyn, will be absent from the city next Sunday, January 9th, conducting communion services at Newbern, consequently no divine services will be held here in St. Matthew's at that time. Sunday School at 9.30 a. m.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets, Rev. J. W. Kramer, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 3.00 p. m. Weekly Prayer and Praise meeting Wednesday at 7.30 p. m. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Bladen Street Methodist E. Church, Southwest corner of Bladen and Fifth streets, Rev. G. D. Langston, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 9.30 a. m. Class meeting 3 o'clock p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to these services.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the close of the 11 o'clock services at Bladen street M. E. Church on Sunday morning.

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. F. H. Farrington, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 2.30 p. m. Weekly Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Lot Owner's Meeting.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LOT owners of Oakdale Cemetery will be held at the Company's office, 114 Princess street, Monday evening, January 10th, at 8 o'clock.

RICHARD J. JONES,
jan 8 2t Secretary and Treasurer.

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"THE HEART OF CUBA."
MATINEE.
"Humpty Dumpty",
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Matinee, Adults 20 cents; Children, 10c

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ON WEDNESDAY, THE 5TH OF JANUARY, 1897, 18 o'clock M., I will sell for cash at public auction, the entire stock of Goods and Merchandise, consisting of

Gentlemen's Clothing and Furnishing Goods

assigned to me by S. H. Fishblate, then remaining unsold. Sale will take place in the store where the Goods are situate. Until said date all Goods will be disposed of at retail at 10 per cent. less than cost.

A. G. RICAUD,
de 26 tf tu th sa Assignee.

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HOUSE ON NINTH BETWEEN Church and Castle streets. Four rooms, water and good yard room in rear

D. O'CONNOR,
jan 1 tf Real Estate Agent.

Holiday Presents

FOR GENTLEMEN. WHAT IS MORE DEsirable than a nice stiff or soft Hat or an Umbrella? Then go to HAMME, THE HATTER. Latest Styles and Lowest Prices.

jan 1 tf 26 North Front Street.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, JAN. 8, 1898

"NEW ENGLAND'S FUTURE."

Yesterday we wrote something about the mill building done in the past year, with such comment as the figures suggested. These figures showed that the South was offering the most inviting field to the cotton mill builder and indicated that there was no occasion to believe that much capital will henceforth be invested in mills in the North, since they have now to compete with Southern mills, and declare that under the present conditions, successful competition is out of the question. But this does not imply that the cotton manufacturing industry is doomed in that section, where it has been so long established and where it has attained such large proportions, but indicates that as the situation now is men who have money to invest in cotton mills will do a good deal of ruminating before they plant it in a section where the mills now in operation complain so loudly of having a hard time to make any profits. The competition they complain of will become greater instead of less, and they will have to do more to offset it than to cut down the wages of their operatives, who do not now earn enough to support families in comfort. The New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin*, takes this view of it in an editorial on "New England's Future," from which we make the following extract:

"Assuming that the reduction of wages accomplishes all that is expectpected of it, it reduces the cost to, or nearly to the cost in the South, and therefore enables Fall River to compete with the Piedmont region. Compete for what? Compete for a market too small to sustain both. Cotton goods are so cheap that, in this country at least, their consumption cannot be greatly increased by reducing the price. The Northern and Southern mills together have been overdoing production, and it is proposed to continue this over-production. The Fall River mills have accomplished little for their dividends by reducing wages because of the downward tendency of prices; their production last year was greater than the year before; the Southern cotton industry is growing at a relatively rapid rate, and the two sections are to continue their race for a field that already seems too narrow for them."

"New England papers are reminding the cotton mill owners that while the Southern mills have some decided advantages the odds on their side are partly imaginary and partly temporary. The longer hours in the South constitute an illusory advantage. The hours used to be long in Massachusetts and their reduction, at least their reduction to 10 hours a day, was due to the discovery that the long day was unprofitable. We are not aware that the 9-hour day has been proved economically advantageous, and the mill owners believe it to be the reverse; but the reduction from fourteen or fifteen to ten hours was slowly accomplished as the result of experiment. The extensive employment of young children in cotton mills was due to the very natural impression that low wages were equivalent to a low cost of labor, the fallacy of which was slowly apprehended in England and Massachusetts. It will be discovered after a time in Georgia and South Carolina, which are now in much the same economic condition as Manchester was sixty or seventy years ago and New England forty or fifty years ago. The decreased employment of children is due in some degree to increasing humanity and to the efforts of labor unions to restrict the numbers of competitors. But it is due very much more to the discovery that child labor was far less economical than formerly."

The New England mills tried the expedient of cheap labor some years ago when they began to cut wages and employed in the place of many of their native operatives immigrants from Canada, who worked for less pay. In this way these mills have become filled with Canadians, who, according to some of the mill men, do not compare in skill and aptitude for the work with the operatives in the Southern mills, so that the question of wages is not an entirely new one with the New England mills. But what they complain of is that the same kind of labor, showing the same or greater ability, costs far less in the South than it does with them and there is enough in that claim to make the problem a very serious one with them. But the New York paper from which we quote offers them some consolation by the suggestion that the Southern mills may not always be able to command labor so readily at such moderate prices as now, and says:

"The lower rate of wages, the absence of labor unions and the freedom of politics from the influence of labor agitations are conditions not due to latitude, but merely to the absence of a large wage-earning population. The signs are already beginning to be seen that with the growth of the factory system in the South there will be labor unions and labor agitators and labor legislation, and the conditions in Southern manufacturing centers will assimilate to those in the North.

"Thus far the higher industrial organization has been able to defeat the lower. The greater accumulation of capital, the longer practice, the higher degree of skill, have enabled Europe to beat Asia and America and England to beat the Continent, and New England to maintain industrial primacy over the rest of the country. If the Fall River manufacturers are right about the dangers of Southern competition, then the South may well in turn expect defeat at the hands of China or Japan, and the whole course of industrial progress must be reversed, and the lower type will triumph over the higher."

There is a good deal of truth in this, for doubtless in time when the number of operatives becomes largely increased in the South there will be labor unions and all that sort of thing, but this will not be to any great extent until manufacturing is more centered than it is now and much larger numbers of operatives are brought together. While there are a good many mills in the South, and they represent a great many millions of dollars, they are pretty widely scattered and there is no place of importance which could properly be called a cotton manufacturing center. This fact will operate for some time to come against the organization of labor unions, even if there was a disposition to organize them, of which there is no indication.

The intimation that if the wage question figures in it the cotton mills of the North and of the South may eventually be forced to succumb to the cheaper labor of Asia has something in it, assuming that the wage question be as important a factor as the New England millers assert it is. But it is not at all impossible that there may be something in this, and that the mills of this country may yet have to cope with the mills of Asia, and this possibility, if not near probability, should put our statesmen and others to thinking whether it wouldn't be the part of wisdom to prepare for such possibilities, before forced to do so, by seeking to build up markets on our own two continents and get a foothold in these in the event we had to compete with the Asiatic for a market on that side of the globe? With wise and liberal State policies that would encourage instead of handicapping trade American genius, skill, energy and pluck could compete with any nation under the sun, however cheap its labor might be.

MINOR MENTION.

The news from the Senatorial scrimmage in Ohio is a good deal like the news we get from Cuba, and must be taken with a great deal of allowance. Both sides claim to be confident of getting there finally, while neither is. As the situation presents itself now the anti-Hanna combine has the decided advantage, but every day of delay is that much in Hanna's favor, and gives him that much more time to bring pressure to bear on the few men whose votes he needs, and to try the other methods that he is so familiar with. As the Democrats can't elect a Democrat it is with them simply a choice between Hanna and some less objectionable Republican, who might agree with them in something, while Hanna differs from them in everything, and this being the case they should without delay agree to cast their votes for some such Republican and win a victory which may be endangered by procrastination. Hanna and the men who are working with him know just what they lack, they know the number of votes they can count upon for a certainty, and they know just how many they have to win to elect Hanna. They are shrewd, resourceful and unscrupulous and whatever agency that may have potency in it to secure the few votes needed will be used. This is all the opposition have to fear and this suggests the wisdom of acting promptly and giving the Hanna supporters as little time as possible to form and carry out plans and bring the pressure of "mass demonstrations" and other devices to bear. The defeat of Hanna, while it may not elect a Democrat, will be substantially a Democratic victory, and will be worth thousands of votes in Ohio to the Democratic party.

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There is no State in the Union that produces a greater variety of minerals than North Carolina, and there is scarcely a week that passes that some new discovery is not made, and many of them in unlooked-for quarters. The latest is the discovery of anthracite coal near King's Mountain, concerning the analysis of which we published a press dispatch Thursday morning. It is stated in connection with this discovery that there are outcroppings of this coal in a number of places, which indicate that it exists in considerable quantities, a question which can be determined only by the usual tests. Some time ago it was reported that a vein of anthracite coal had been tapped in digging near the Warm Springs, in Madison county, but whether any satisfactory tests were made we do not know. The country in the King's Mountain section very much resembles that portion of Pennsylvania where anthracite coal is found and the probabilities are that the geological formation is pretty much the same, and therefore the existence of anthracite coal there would not at all be surprising. But if it should exist in quantities sufficient to justify mining it will prove a very important discovery, for with such coal in close proximity to the iron which exists in that section it may result in the successful establishment of the iron and steel making industry in this State, as the discovery of how to utilize anthracite did in Pennsylvania.

The heirs of Robert Morris, of New Jersey, have discovered that Uncle Sam owes him an old debt, of about $1,500,000 for money borrowed during the Revolutionary war, which they would like to have paid now with interest added making about $7,000,000. They say it it is a straight debt, which there is no trouble in proving, but we expect as they have waited so long and seemed to care little about such a trifle they would call it square with U. S., who isn't very flush these days, for one half.

Canada is getting even with Mr. Dingley for his duty on lumber by refusing permits to cut timber on the Government lands unless the lumber is to be manufactured in the Dominion. This will prevent the exporting of logs to the U. S. If she should carry the retaliation so far as to prevent the tapping of maple trees unless the sugar was made in the Dominion it would be rough on the Vermonters likewise.

A prophet away down in Texas, who has been horoscoping things, predicts the destruction of New York city next April. But the New Yorkers are bragging about their big town, their new babies and all that sort of thing, as if the town was going to last forever.

BOOK NOTICES.

The reader of political and economic subjects will find *The New Times* for January an interesting and valuable number. Published by Charles H. Kerr & Co., No. 56 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

The Journal of Medical Hypnotism, edited by Sydney Fowler, LL. D., is the title of a new monthly publication just started in Chicago, which the physician may find interesting and valuable. Address The Psychic Publishing Company, 56 Fifth avenue, Chicago, Ill.

The North American Review for January presents some thoughtful and instructive articles by eminent writers, covering a wide range of subjects mainly of a political or economic character, bearing upon our own and other countries. Address, North American Review, No. 291 Fifth avenue, New York.

The Southern States Farm Magazine for January presents four interesting papers on the capabilities of the negro as an agricultural laborer, by Dr. Robert L. Dabney, of Virginia, Col. J. B. Killebrew, of Tennessee, Henry Gannett, of the U. S. Geological Survey, and Prof. Booker T. Washington, Principal of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, the biggest brained colored man in the United States. In addition to these there are other papers of interest to the Southern farmers and readers. Published by the Manufacturers, Record Publishing Company, Baltimore, Md.

TWINKLINGS.

— He—"My heart is on fire mit lofe for you!"

She (coldly)—"Vell, as dere is no inzurance, you had petter put dot fire oudt."—*Puck.*

— Patience—"What is the cheap-looking thing you ever saw about a bargain counter?"

Patrice—"A husband waiting for his wife."—*Yonkers Statesman,*

— Father (to son who is leaning over theatre gallery railing)—"Take care, Johnnie, and don't fall. It'll cost you a shilling more in the pit—*Tit-Bits.*

— Shortleigh—"My Uncle Frank is a veritable Klondike."

Longleigh—"Why, how's that?"

Shortleigh—"Plenty of wealth, but cold and distant."—*Chicago Neps.*

— Miss Ethel—"I wonder if that gentleman can hear me when I sing?"

Maid—"Of course he can. He is closing the window already."—*Tit-Bits.*

Yeast—"A man's judged by the company he keeps, I believe?"

Crimsonbeak—"Certainly." "And also by the cigars he keeps, I presume?" "Oh no; by the cigars he gives away."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Difference in Value: Friend—"Poetry is a drug on the market, isn't it?"

Poet—"I should say not."

Friend—"Then I was misinformed."

Poet—"Your informant probably never tried to sell poetry or buy drugs."

— Immediate Assistance: "Mr. Grumpy," said the chronic borrower, "I'm financially embarrassed to-day. Can you help me out."

"Cheerfully." Then Grumpy kicked his caller through two offices and a long hallway.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Attic Wit: "I don't think that new prima donna will do," said the boarder who has the attic room. "She is too much like the furnace here—at least her voice is."

"How is that," asked Mrs. Hashcroft.

"Very weak in the upper register."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— A bald-headed professor recently gave a lecture entitled "The Air We Breathe." In the course of his remarks he said: "It is quite impossible for any person to live without air."

At this one small boy called out: "'Ow about yerself, gv'ner?"—*Tid-Bits.*

Catarrah, like scrofula, is a disease of the blood and may be cured by purifying the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

MEN THAT ARE DOOMED!

AND YET WHO DO NOT REALIZE DANGER.

Why People Drift Along Until It Often is Too Late, Explained By a Scion of Science.

"I met a gentleman on the street today whom I have not seen for some time, but the moment my eyes rested upon him, I could see that he was doomed."

It was a member of the faculty of a new York Medical College who made this statement.

"I saw," he continued, "that peculiar color of countenance, that lack of expression in the eyes and puffiness under the lids which indicate the presence of the most horrible of all known diseases. The corners of the man's mouth were somewhat drawn down and the lines of the face were distinctly marked. I felt like warning him, but I was not on sufficiently intimate terms to warrant my doing it, so I

merely stated that he was looking as though he were not in the best of condition. Oh. I am all right!" he exclaimed. In fact, I think I am enjoying very good health. 'It is true,' he continued, 'that I do not always sleep well, my appetite is rather fickle and I feel unaccountably tired at times, but I have no pain whatever, and I think I am getting along all right.'

"I left him with a warning not to be too certain about his condition, but I tell you that unless that man takes prompt action of the right kind, he is a candidate for the grave, and that, too, within a limited period."

"And yet he does not know it!"

"The thing which makes Bright's disease of the kidneys, which that man undoubtedly has, the most dangerous of all diseases is that it has no symptoms of its own. I mean that pain is seldom felt in the kidneys themselves, and yet I deliberately state as a physician that nearly one-half of the deaths in America are caused by Bright's disease of the kidney's. This may sound like a rash statement, but I am prepared to fully verify it. Hundreds of burial certificates have been made out by family physicians for 'heart disease,' 'apoplexy,' 'paralysis,' 'spinal complaint,' 'rheumatism,' 'pheumonia' and other common complaints, when in reality it was Bright's disease of the kidneys."

"Few physicians and fewer people realize the extent of this disease or its dangerous and insidious nature. It steals into the system like a thief, manifests itself by the commonest symptoms, and fastens itself upon the system before the victim is aware of its presence. It is nearly as hereditary as consumption, quite as common, and fully as fatal. Entire families, inheriting it from their ancestors, have died and yet none of the number knew or realized the mysterious power that was removing them."

"Not only this, but until recent years, no remedy was known which could prevent or cure this most fearful of diseases, and even to-day, with all the advancement of sciencc, there is but one known discovery by which it can be prevented, controlled when it is contracted, or finally cured. That remedy is Warner's Safe Cure, and it has, to my certain knowledge, saved more people from untimely deaths, and is keeping more people in perfect health to-day than any other discovery ever known in the entire history of the world. It was concerning this remedy that the late Dr. Dio Lewis said:

"While my own life has been devoted to the prevention of disease, and while years ago I gave up the use of medicines, I gratefully recognize the precious value of Warner's Safe Cure, and if I found myself the victim of kidney trouble, I should instantly use it."

When physicians of the highest standing so unhesitatingly endorse a modern discovery, which will certainly cure the most terrible of diseases, does it not stand to reason that those of us who realize that we are slowly drifting into a state of decline; that our kidneys, liver or urinary organs are not what they should be, should avail ourselves of the benefits of so great a scientific discovery, which are placed so easily within our reach!

Tinware Legs.

If you have a soldering iron, you may put "legs" on your tinware that is to be used on the stove and make it last much longer. Clean a place with the acid, melt some solder in a spoon and pour it on slowly, letting it harden until the little knobs or legs are large enough to be serviceable. Aside from saving the tin, the contents of the basin will not burn so quickly.

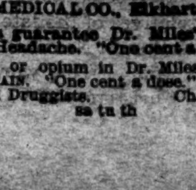
A Spoonful.

Salt, pepper and all spices measured by the spoonful should be measured level, not rounding, and if you are to use only a half spoonful fill the spoon and divide it lengthwise. The tip of the spoon is shallower than the other part, and by dividing across the bowl less is used than has been directed.

LaGrippe,

Followed by Heart Disease, Cured by DR. MILES' HEART CURE.

MR. C. C. SHULTS, of Winterset, Iowa, inventor and manufacturer of Shults' Safety Whiffletree Coupling, writes of Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. "Two years ago an attack of LaGrippe left me with a weak heart. I had run down in flesh to mere skin and bone. I could not sleep lying down for smothering spells; frequent sharp darting pains and palpitation caused a constant fear of sudden death, nothing could induce me to remain away from home over night. My local physician prescribed Dr. Miles' Heart Cure and in a few days I was able to sleep well and the pains gradually lessened, and finally ceased. I reduced the the doses, having gained fifteen pounds, and am now feeling better in every way than I have for years."



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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— The Hotel Lawrence, Scotland Neck, under the new management, is one of the most comfortable and well-kept hotels in Eastern North Carolina. Mr. J. E. Hancock, the genial and accommodating proprietor, has opened to the travelling public a hotel which is a credit to the progressive town of Scotland Neck. Mr. Hancock was for eight years a travelling salesman, and knows what it takes to please the travelling man.

— Goldsboro *Argus:* Farmers tell us that the tobacco acerage will be increased this year.

— Newbern *Journal:* The indications point to the fact that there will be a very large crop of tobacco planted in this section.

— Greensboro *Patriot:* We regret to announce that misfortune has overtaken the tobacco manufacturing firm of J. L. King & Co., of this city, which assigned Tuesday, naming John W. King trustee. The indebtedness of the firm will possibly reach $30,000, with ample assets to cover same, so that it is reasonable to presume dollar for dollar will be paid, with a balance in favor of the firm.

— Goldsboro *Headlight:* A three-year old child of Prof. A. L. Sumner, colored, was burned to death in this city Monday evening about 6 o'clock during the temporary absence of its mother, its clothing becoming ignited while playing too near the fire. —— A negro man named Kennyon Langston, of Saulston township, was in the city yesterday, who had twenty-two children, sixteen of whom are now living, the baby being only a year old. He has been married about 25 years, and is now 48 years old.

— Southport *Standard:* Mr. J. J. Bell, a well known and aged citizen, while on his way on the 24th ult. to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Ruark, of Supply, was thrown from his vehicle when near the Old Dam in Lockwood's Folly, the fall resulting in paralysis, and the unfortunate man lay in the sand exposed to the fearful weather for sixteen hours, when he was found by Samuel Kirby in an unconcious condition in the same positions that he had fallen. It is a matter of surprise that a person aged 68 years could survive, but he still lives and some hope is expressed for his recovery.

— Raleigh *Post:* Few people in North Carolina know that there is a large amount of unclaimed land in the State and that claims for possession of various tracts are granted almost daily by the Secretary of State. For the past two months the force in the Secretary of State's office has been busy making grants of land. Most of the requests for grants of unclaimed land come from Western North Carolina in the mountain region. Only a few days since the Secretary of State issued a grant for a piece of property near the city of Asheville. Some fellow came along and discovered a site on the river bank, which no one claimed and he immediately seized on to it. Yesterday the Secretary of State issued a grant for a piece of property in the town of Marion. The State gets 12½ cents per acre for tracts of 100 acres or less, and 15 cents on lots of more than 100 acres. This money is given to the educational fund.

— Fayetteville *Observer:* Mr. A. F. McDuffie, the excellent superintendent of Mr. W. J. McDonald's Wakulla plantation, died Wednesday. —— Miss Mary E. Birdsall, an aged and highly respected lady, died suddenly Thursday morning at the residence of Mrs. P. H. Lutterloh, on Ramsay street. Miss Birdsall was seen on the streets Tuesday in her usual health, and the announcement this morning of her death was a shock to her many friends and relations. —— Wednesday night, at 10 o'clock, Mr. Tom Morre, just before retiring, attempted to blow out a large student's lamp, when the lamp acted so queerly that he hurriedly raised the window and pitched it out into the yard. The flames set the grass on fire and Mr. Moore ran down and with no little trouble extinguished them. He found the lamp sitting upright, undamaged, and the chimney and big porcelain globe lying alongside with not a crack in them. The lamp had been thrown from a second story window and over a wood shed.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— The employe of the District who embezzled $34.50 will doubtless be punished for his offence. The men who prepare the technical loop holes for our laws didn't provide for the $34.50 fellows.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— Mayor Van Wyck's recent declaration that no person engaged in a private business could hold office under the new city government of New York was equivalent to an intimation that public office and private snaps are not to be confounded in that municipality. — *Philadelphia Recovd, Dem.*

—— Napoleon's idea that it would be dangerous to teach the Chinese the art of war may be verified by the missionaries of greed who are struggling for the partition of the Chinese empire. A nation with seventy-five millions of men of fighting age might overwhelm Europe if once aroused to action and trained in the art of war.—*Louisville Dispatch, Dem.*

—— The Japs think they have been duped by the powers. When Japan had planted a solar plexus in the midst of Li Hung Chang's yellow jacket, and had him where she could have pulled out every peacock feather from his adornment, Russia and the others interfered in the interest of peace. After having called off Japan they are now helping themselves to the booty that could have been taken by the Japs.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

The Coming Woman

Who goes to the club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good old-fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for these women is Electric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women. Female complaints and Nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only 50c per bottle. For sale by R. R. BELLAMY. †

The Kitchen Boiler.

The last thing thought of in most kitchens is the cleaning out of the kitchen boiler. According to a plumber the sediment cocks with which every boiler is provided, or should be, ought to be left open at least once a week for a full quarter of an hour. This would wash away all sediment that may have accumulated, and not only keep the water sweet, but make its heating a quicker operation.

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Recovered from Typhoid Fever and Regained Health.

CONCORD, N. C.—"I was in poor health after having typhoid fever. I was advised to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have taken eight bottles and do not now feel like the same person. I believe it saved my life. I advise any one who is in a run down condition of health owing to impure blood or the effects of sickness to give Hood's Sarsaparilla a trial." KATE KIMMINGER. Take only Hood's.

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The English Longbow.

The range and power of the English longbow in its palmiest days were extraordinary, notes a writer in Chambers' Journal. We have seen and handled one of these bows, said to have been used at Flodden. It measured 6 feet, unstrung, and the arrow 3 feet. The pull must have been quite 100 pounds. To draw the cloth yard shaft on such a bow would probably defy the powers of even an exceptionally strong man nowadays. But good Bishop Latimer, in his well known eulogy of English archery, has shown us how from their boyhood Englishmen were scientifically trained in the use of the bow till, like Justice Shallow's hero, old Double, they could "clap in the clout at twelvescore yards." Up to what distance the old longbow was really effective is a question not easy to answer, but from the data we possess it may safely be assumed that against anything but armor of proof the cloth yard shaft was deadly up to 300 yards, while for combined rapidity and efficiency in shooting no weapon could compare with the longbow till the introduction of the breechloader.

A Desperate Deed.

"Why on earth should so bright and coming a girl as Mame have married that long haired poet?"

"It was the only way she could stop him from reading his poems to her."—Indianapolis Journal.

Pneumatic boxing gloves are an improvement over the old style, as they can be made hard or soft by forcing air into their backs through a valve in the wrist.

The Surprise of All.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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Wholesale Prices Current.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute		@ 6¾
Standard		@ 7¾
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@ 14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@ 7¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@ 7¾
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5	@ 5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@ 5¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00	@ 1 10
New New York, each		@ 1 20
New City, each		@ 1 20
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@ 22
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@ 7 00
Northern	9 00	@ 14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@ 18
Northern	18	@ 28
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	44	@ 45
Virginia Meal	44	@ 45
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@ 85
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18	@ 25
Adamantine	8	@ 10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	10	@ 11
Dairy, Cream		@ 11
State	10½	@ 12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	20	@ 20
Rio	8	@ 10
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@ 5¼
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@ 20
EGGS—℔ dozen	15	@ 16
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@ 30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@ 15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@ 18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@ 9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@ 14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@ 3 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@ 6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@ 3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@ 10
Extra	4 25	@ 3 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade		@ 3 75
Choice		@ 4 75
Straight		@ 5 00
First Patent	5 25	@ 6 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½	@ 8¼
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White		@ 45
Car load, in bags—White		@ 44
Oats, from store		@ 35
Oats, Rust Proof		@ 40
Cow Peas		@ 55
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
Green		@ 6
Dry		@ 8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—		
Clover Hay	80	@ 85
Rice Straw		@ 50
Eastern		@ 90
Western		@ 85
North River		@ 75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾	@ 2
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	5¼	@ 6
North Carolina	6	@ 10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@ 1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@ 20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@ 16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@ 18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@ 22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@ 15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@ 26
Barbadoes in barrels		@ 28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@ 27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@ 28
Sugar-House, in hogsheads	12	@ 14
Sugar-House, in barrels	14	@ 15
Syrup, in barrels	12	@ 15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@ 1 50
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	9 50	@ 9 75
Rump		@ 8 25
Prime		@ 9 25
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@ 22
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@ 1 10
Liverpool		@ 60
Lisbon		@
American	40	@ 60
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@ 40
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00	@ 6 50
Common	1 50	@ 2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@ 3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		@ [illegible]
Standard A		@ [illegible]
White Extra C		@ [illegible]
Extra C, Golden		@ [illegible]
C, Yellow		@ [illegible]
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼	@ 4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@ 14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@ 10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@ 9 00
Mill, Prime		@ 7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@ 8 00
Common Mill	4 00	@ 5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@ 3 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@ 8 50
" Sap	5 00	@ 6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@ 5 00
" Sap	4 00	@ 4 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@ 6 50
" Sap	5 00	@ 5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@ [illegible]
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00	@ 2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@ 2 00
WOOL ℔ ℔—Unwashed	8	@ 15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, January 7.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 31 cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 30½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN.—Market firm at $1.15 per bbl for Strained and $1.20 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady; $1.40 per barrel for Hard, $1.90 for Dip and $1.90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine dull, 25¼@25½c; rosin firm, $1.45, $1.50; tar steady, $1.00; crude turpentine firm, $1.40, $1.90, $1.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	74
Rosin	633
Tar	177
Crude Turpentine	17

Receipts same day last year.—125 casks spirits turpentine, 348 bbls rosin, 242 bbls tar, 0 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5 7-16c. per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3		cts. ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	4	6-15	" "
Low Middling	5		" "
Middling	5	7-15	" "
Good Middling	5	11-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 6¾c.

Receipts—739 bales; same day last year, 414.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 38@40c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 45c; Fancy, 50c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN.—Firm; 47½@50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE.—$1.00@1.05 per bushel.

N. C. BACON.—Steady; nams, 8 to 9c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES.—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to $2.25; six inch, $2.25 to $3.25; seven inch, $5.50 to $6.50.

TIMBER.—Market steady at $8.00 to $8.50 per M.

Cotton and Naval Stores.

WEEKLY STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.
For the week ended January 7, 1898.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
3,919	486	3,269	915	1,089

RECEIPTS.
For the week ended January 8, 1897.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
2,185	565	7,189	1,321	143

EXPORTS.
For the week ended January 7, 1898.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	000	23	000	643	17
Foreign	14,664	3	2,369	1,506	00
	14,664	26	2,369	2,149	17

EXPORTS.
For the week ended January 8, 1897.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	687	294	12	1,337	203
Foreign	000	000	00	000	000
	687	294	12	1,337	203

STOCKS.
Ashore and Afloat January 7, 1898.

	Ashore.	Afloat.	Total.
Cotton	11,247	14,275	25,522
Spirits	3,209	79	3,288
Rosin	33,707	133	33,840
Tar	5,030	20	5,050
Crude	300	000	300

STOCKS.
Ashore and Afloat January 8, 1897.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
18,237	1,837	40,358	6,652	350

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to The Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 7.—Money on call firm at 2@3½ per cent., last loan at 2½ per cent. and closed at 2½@3½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.85½ for demand and 4.82¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 4.83½@4.86. Commercial bills at 4.82. Silver certificates 57½@58. Bar silver 57. Mexican dollars 45¾. Government bonds strong; U. S. new 4's, registered, 129; U. S. new 4's, coupon, 129; U. S. 4's 112¾; U. S. 4's, coupon, 113⅞; U. S. 2's 99½; U. S. 5's, registered, 114¼; U. S. 5's, coupon, 114¼. State bonds dull; North Carolina 6's 125; North Carolina 4's 103½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to The Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 7.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine was steady at 33½@34c.

CHARLESTON, January 7.—Spirits turpentine was firmer; no sales. Rosin firm; quotations unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, GA., January 7.—Spirits turpentine opened firm at 31c bid, and closed firm at 31½c bid; sales — bales; receipts 294 bales. Rosin firm; sales 2,841 bales; receipts 4,000 barrels; quotations: A, B, C, $1 20, E 1 25, F 1 30, G 1 30, H 1 65, I 1 80, K 1 90; M 2 00, N 2 25, W G, 2 45, W W 2 75.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to The Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 7.—The cotton market was narrow and almost featureless. The opening was quiet and firm at an advance of one to two points. There was a further advance of one to two points, more directly attributed to the favorable character of the foreign news. Private cables circulating here to-day were decidedly encouraging, in nearly all cases pointing to a well sustained English demand. After working within a range of one to three points our market closed quiet but steady at a net advance of one to two points.

NEW YORK, January 7.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1, 1897: Galveston, 1,431,913 bales; New Orleans, 1,642,136; Mobile, 245,424; Savannah, 890,077; Charleston, 372,429; Wilmington, 274,311; Norfolk, 437,732; Baltimore, 33,127; New York, 73,576; Boston, 112,096; Newport News, 5,913; Philadelphia, 43,049; Brunswick, 128,015; Port Royal, 45,038; Pensacola, 65,984. Total, 5,800,821 bales.

NEW YORK, January 7.—Cotton steady; middling 5 15-16c.

Cotton futures opened quiet and firm and closed quiet and steady; sales 86,900 bales; January 5.79c., February 5.80c., March 5.83c., April 5.88c., May 5.92c., June 5.96c., July 6.00c., August 6.04c., September 6.03c., October 6.05c.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 5 15-16c.; middling gulf 6 3-16c; sales 118 bales.

Net receipts 1,298 bales; gross 5,256 bales; exports to the Continent 1,550 bales; forwarded 527 bales; sales —— bales; sales to spinners 118 bales; stock 121,621 bales.

Weekly—Net receipts 9,224 bales; gross receipts 36,956 bales; exports to Great Britain 13,386 bales; to France 1,562 bales; to the Continent 11,102 bales; forwarded 10,736 bales; sales 9,117 bales; sales to spinners 217 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 43,661 bales; exports to Great Britain 23,680 bales; to France 2,385 bales, to the Continent 32,156 bales; stock 1,248,196 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 293,884 bales; exports to Great Britain 87,353 bales; to France 19,902 bales; to the Continent 107,328 bales.

Total since September 1st—Net receipts 5,800,825 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,857,765 bales; to France 514,461 bales; to the Continent 1,554,013 bales.

January 7.—Galveston, steady at 5¾c, net receipts 8,320 bales; Norfolk, steady at 5½c, net receipts 2,166 bales; Baltimore, steady at 5¾c, net receipts 1,387 bales; Boston, dull at 5 15-16c, net receipts 832 bales; Wilmington, steady at 5 7-16c, net receipts 1,343 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6¼c, net receipts 1,604 bales; Savannah, steady at 5¼c, net receipts 4,745 bales; New Orleans, steady at 5 5-16c, net receipts 18,553 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5¼c., net receipts 2,201 bales; Memphis, steady at 5¾c., net receipts 2,496 bales; Augusta, steady at 5 9-16c, net receipts 491 bales; Charleston, quiet at 5¼c, net receipts 1,087 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to The Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 7.—Flour fairly active and firmer; city mill clears $5 35@5 45. Wheat—Spot strong; No. 2 red $1 01¼; options opened firm on cables, was active all day on a brisk inquiry for cash wheat from both millers and exporters, heavy clearances and a cold weather scare, closing ⅛@1⅛c net higher; No. 2 red January 97⅞@99c, closed 99c; May closed 93⅛c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 35⅛c; options opened and were bullishly influenced by wheat all day, closing quiet but firm at ⅛@⅛c net higher; January closed 33⅝c; May closed 34⅜c. Oats—Spot strongerNo. 2 28⅜c; options moderately active and firmer, closing ⅛c net higher; February closed 28⅛c; May closed 28⅝c. Lard firm. Pork firm. Butter quiet; Western creamery 15@22c; Elgins, 22c; imitation creamery, 13½@18c; State dairy, 13@20c. Cheese firm; large white September, 8½@8⅝c. Petroleum dull. Rice steady. Molasses steady. Cotton seed oil firm. Coffee—Spot Rio dull; No. 7 invoice 6⅛c; jobbing 6⅞c; mild quiet; Cordova, 8½@15c. Sugar—raw steady; fair refining 3⅛c; centrifugal, 95 test, 6⅛c; refined firm.

CHICAGO, January 7.—Good milling demand and heavy exports again made a strong wheat market to-day out of a rather weak one, the May option closing at 1⅛c advance on yesterday's figures. July was also strong, advancing ⅞c. Corn and oats were firm, especially the latter which closed ⅛ to ⅜c higher, while corn advanced ⅛c. Provisions closed five to twelve and a half cents higher.

CHICAGO, January 7.—Cash quotations: Flour was steadier. Wheat—No. 2 spring 87@88c; No. 3 spring 80@90c; No. 2 red 92c. Corn—No. 2, 26⅞@27⅛c. Oats—No. 2, 22⅛c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., —c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 23½@24⅛c. Rye—No. 2, 45c. Mess pork, per barrel, $9 25. Lard, per 100 lbs., $4 77½. Short rib sides (loose) $4 45@4 70. Dry salted shoulders (boxed) $4 75@5 00. Short clear sides (boxed) $4 75@4 85. Whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 19.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2, January 89¼, 92, 89¼, 92; May 90¼, 91⅞, 90¼, 91⅛c; July 81½@81¼, 82⅞, 81⅛, 82⅝c. Corn—January 26⅝, 26⅞@26⅞, 26½@25⅞, 26⅞@26⅞c; May 29⅛, 29⅝@29¼, 29⅛, 29⅝@29⅛c; July 30⅛, 30½, 30⅛, 30⅝@30⅛c. Oats—January 21½, 22, 21⅜, 21⅞c; May 23¼, 24, 23¼, 23⅞c. Mess pork, per barrel, January $9 15, 9 25, 9 15, 9 25; May $9 20, 9 37½, 9 20, 9 35. Lard, per 100 lbs.—January $4 72½, 4 77½, 4 72½, 4 77½; May $4 80, 4 87½, 4 80, 4 87½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $4 50, 4 55, 4 50, 4 55; May $4 62½, 4 72½, 4 60, 4 70.

BALTIMORE, January 7.—Flour firm and unchanged. Wheat strong; spot and month 97@97⅛c; February 97⅝c; May 93⅛c bid; steamer No. 2 red 92@92⅛c; Southern wheat by sample 92@98c; do on grade 92½@97⅛c. Corn firmer; spot, month and February 32½@32⅞c; steamer mixed 30⅞@31c; Southern white corn 33@35c; do yellow 31@33c. Oats firm; No. 2 white Western 29½@30c; No. 2 mixed 27½@28c.

FOREIGN MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, January 7.—4 P. M. Cotton—Spot, good business done and prices higher. American middling fair 3⅝d; good middling 3⅜d; middling 3¼d; low middling 3 3-32d; good ordinary 2 31-32d; ordinary 3 25-32d. Sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 11,400 American. Receipts 20,000 bales, of which 19,000 were American. Futures opened quiet with a moderate demand and closed quiet but steady. American middling (l m c): January 3 11-64 to 3 12-64d buyer; January and February 3 10-64 to 3 11-64d buyer; February and March 3 10-64 to 3 11-64d buyer; March and April 3 11-64d buyer; April and May 3 12-64d buyer; May and June 3 13-64d buyer; June and July 3 14-64d buyer; July and August 3 15-64d buyer; August and September 3 16-64d seller; September and October 3 16-64 to 3 17-64d buyer; October and November 3 17-64 to 3 18-64d seller; November and December 3 18-64d seller.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, Jas Madden.

CLEARED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, Jas Madden.

Schr Cora M, 137 tons, Mitchell, Kingston, Jamaica, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Schr Ira B Ellems, 263 tons, Marston, New York, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA—Schr Cora M—59,126 feet lumber, 10,000 lathes, 303,000 shingles, total value $2,475. Vessel by Geo Harriss, Son & Co; cargo by Kidder Lumber Company.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Schr Ira B Ellems—298,729 feet of lumber. Vessel by Geo Harriss, Son & Co; cargo by Hilton Lumber Company.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 7, 1898.

SCHOONERS.

Sadie C Sumner, 587 tons, Sumner, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Bartholdi, 299 tons, Grafton, master.

Ella G. Eells, 230 tons, Cushman, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

Fred B. Belano, 256 tons, Sawyer, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

Nimrod, 257 tons, Green, Jas. T. Riley & Co.

Clara, 281 tons, Hatch, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Roger Moore, 277 tons, Miller, Jas T Riley & Co.

Solid (Swed), 507 tons, Wedin, Jas T Riley & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Morven (Br.) 2,360 tons, Ellis, Alex. Sprunt & Son.

Hawkhurst (Br), 1,528 tons, Watson, Alex. Sprunt & Son.

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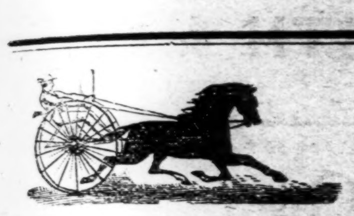

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I would that my love were a lily fair
 And I would that I were a sunbeam bold,
Still to be dressing her flowery hair
 All day long with my airy gold.

Or would that she were the dew that lies
 In th' rose and I the rose tree were,
To fold my red leaves over her eyes
 And make my sweetness a part of her.

Would I were a breeze that is where it will
 And she a leaf in some lonely place.
How I would cling to her, sing to her, till
 She gathered me up in her green embrace.

Or would that she were a fawn so gay
 And I within some lowly bed
Where oft her silvery feet would stray
 And dimple the turf above me spread.

Nay, leave th' sunbeam the light that's his
 And leave the lily her airy gold,
And give me my maiden, just as she is,
 To kiss and sing to, to keep and hold!
 —New York Ledger.

A LAD WITHOUT GUILE.

How Grant Impressed His Comrades as a West Point Cadet.

"He was a lad without guile," testifies General Longstreet. "I never heard him utter a profane or vulgar word. He was a boy of good native ability, although by no means a hard student. So perfect was his sense of honor that, in the numerous cabals which were often formed, his name was never mentioned, for he never did anything which could be subject for criticism or reproach. He soon became the most daring horseman in the academy." He had a way of solving problems out of rule by the application of good, hard sense, and Rufus Ingalls ends by saying: "When our school days were over, if the average opinion of the members of the class had been taken, every one would have said: 'There is Sam Grant. He is a splendid fellow, a good, honest man, against whom nothing can be said and from whom everything may be expected.'"

One of the keenest observers in his class, for a year his roommate, perceived more in him than his instructors. "He had the most scrupulous regard for truth. He never held his word light. He never said an untruthful word even in jest.

"He was a reflective mind and at times very reticent and somber. Something seemed working deep down in his thoughts—things he knew as little about as we. There would be days, even weeks, at a time when he would be silent and somber—not morose. He was a cheerful man, and yet he had these moments when he seemed to feel some premonition of a great future—wondering what he was to do and what he was to become. He was moved by a very sincere motive to join the Dialectic society, which was the only literary society we had. I did not belong, but Grant joined while we were roommates, with the aim to improve in his manner of expressing himself."—McClure's.

The Composed American Bride.

Mr. Cecil de Thierry, in his Contemporary Review article on American women, is by no means complimentary to the American bride. Perhaps he has had little experience in this direction. He takes his examples for the major part from romantic writers:

As a rule, the American bride at a wedding is the most self possessed person present. Should she be the daughter of wealthy parents, the possibility of a mistake is rendered out of the question by a rehearsal of the service, and in any case girlish modesty and nervousness are too often unknown quantities. Not so long ago a New York belle walked up the aisle on her father's arm, laughing and chatting as unconcernedly as if she were in a ballroom, and another's self possession was so perfect that she paused in front of a mirror—strange article of furniture for the house of God—in the church porch to ascertain whether or not her hair had been disarranged by the drive.

Americans are rather fond of recording such incidents as these under the impression that it proves the American woman's capacity to be at ease under any circumstances, as though that were not sufficiently proved already. But a stranger sees in them proof that the younger girl, as we know her, has no existence in the United States. She is a child and then a woman. The transitional stage, beautiful in its exquisite blending of innocence and maturity, is omitted.

To Make Bedroom Slippers.

Procure 3 ounces of crimson double Berlin wool, a small bone crochet hook and a pair of cork soles. Make a chain of 12 stitches, and in these work 11 plain double crochet; second row double crochet, taking up the horizontal loop at the back of every stitch, and increase by working three stitches into the center stitch of the preceding row. Third row the same, without increasing. Repeat these two rows until you have 11 raised ridges from the toe, which will complete the instep. For the side, crochet 12 stitches and work backward and forward until you have a length sufficient to reach the back of the sole, then break off and work a similar piece for the other side. Join together at the heel. Work four rows of looped crochet round the top—that is, double crochet—twisting the wool once round a mesh an inch wide before inserting the hook to work the stitch, then one row of plain double crochet. Line the slipper with flannel and sew to the sides, having first bound the edge of the soles with ribbon. Finish off with a ribbon rosette in front.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Poor Doggie.

"Charley, why is that Miss Silly always dragging her poodle around with her?"

"Because the pup can't break the chain."—Detroit Free Press.

AN ESSAY ON SCREENS

HOW TO MAKE THESE USEFUL AND PLEASING ARTICLES.

Some Styles May Be Made at Small Cost, and Others May Be Elaborate Affairs. Screens For the Library, For the Hall or For the Dining Room.

I am quite sure that we make too little both of the comfort and the beauty derivable from screens and often wonder to see them treated rather as a necessary evil than as a delightful opportunity of enriching, enlivening or making dignified a room which is lacking in either of these three qualities.

For a time we depended almost entirely on Japan and China to supply us with those comforts, but nowadays one must be able to purchase very choice specimens to find anything which has the least distinction, and even bamboo frames are only available on rare occasions. As seldom as one wearies of even inferior forms of oriental art, of the whole catalogue of designs and materials imported in screen form, we are surely very tired unless we exempt the dainty little bedroom specimens in shades of gray upon white, relieved with a little gold, and the always fresh blue and white for country use.

The frail, showy empire affairs, with their gilded frames and monotonous decorations, have a reminiscence of powder and high heels which is attractive, but they are such toys and so in harmony with the extremely artificial and uncomfortable methods used in furnishing at the time to which they belong that they lack charm to me and never savor of home.

We have used both too little and too much wood in preparing screens. In a room rich with mahogany beautiful effects can be produced by having four finely veneered panels, chosen from dark veined wood, set in lightly carved solid frames. These should be polished as pianos are finished and joined together by highly ornamental brass hinges and stood upon heavy brass claw shaped feet. In the center of each panel a cipher monogram in brass can be inserted, but they are far more beautiful in their own rich color and mounting, and, though the primal use of the screen may be to conceal a pantry door or keep away a draft, no richer background can be found for a lady's figure and head. I have said veneered, because solid panels of old mahogany of the rare quality I mean cost too much to make the suggestion of their use of any real value.

Oak also can be used with excellent effect in panels, with the same brass hinges and feet or with those made in imitation of Nuremberg ironwork. If stained in either so called "old English" or "forest green" tints and left unvarnished and unpolished, they make capital backgrounds for paintings, the subjects for which may be suggested by the surroundings.

Painted screens of strong gray canvas stretched on perfectly seasoned frames as portrait canvases are stretched and without any wood showing may, where real art is applied to their adorning, be made truly beautiful. In a dining room where much brown is used, especially that of walnut, panels of ripening grain, with the rich gold of ripe Indian corn for the dominant color, could be made most effective. One panel which I recall as very fine represented the rough boards of a barn door, on which hung a huge bunch of yellow ears, with their dry husks braided between. It was studied from nature on a western farm and made veritable "sunshine in a shady place." Used with grace and not too conventionally, these breadmaking grains have a pleasant appropriateness also.

So far I have spoken only of dining room screens, and there are two other materials easily obtainable which are equally appropriate in this important room and in the library. I have personally had great success in covering plain heavy frames with builder's cloth, such as is used in window openings, and over this having the paper hanger put what is known as "leather paper," that which comes uncolored in a sort of unbleached tint. The designs are usually fine, and large conventional flower patterns answer the purpose best. Having decided on the paper you think most appropriate, choose also a border of the same sort, and then, when the frame is covered, let the painter put on a coat of some neutral tint, true leather color or nut brown or a silvery drab, and from this basis work up a series of lighter and darker tints which simulate old Spanish leather. Give to the centers of the flowers a faint dash of silver or bronze gold and drop in at the shop as the work progresses, giving hints here and there, an ordinary house painter not being likely to have seen any genuine bit of Cordova work or even the extremely expensive French papers which copy it.

This will not make a cheap screen, but it will be as beautiful as one made of a material wholly out of ordinary reach and appropriate to any refined and quiet room, giving a peculiar elegance and old world character to its surroundings. The frame must be strong, cross barred from side to side, and the wood must be beyond a chance of warping, and great care must be used in keeping it in one position while wet. The inside should be of coarse linen or light canvas, painted in one tone, choosing the basis color of the "leather" side. The feet and hinges should be iron or very dull plain brass.

Corduroy or velveteen put on absolutely plain with heavy, appropriate nails, both sides of the screen alike, produces beautiful effects. It shelters from dangerous drafts from open windows and doors; it cuts off awkward corners and ugly exits; it enriches by giving a considerable amount of color without its having been put in place simply for color's sake, which always has a meretricious and inelegant effect, and it makes most pictorial backgrounds.—New York Post.

Heat and Furniture.

How many housekeepers are aware that furnace and steam heat are to a large degree responsible for the cracking and warping of the lighter kinds of furniture, especially bamboo, and that to counteract the ill effects of the same they should be rubbed regularly with equal parts of linseed oil and turpentine, applied with a flannel and then rubbed in with a soft cloth? Bamboo is also improved by an occasional wash in cold water, if thoroughly dried afterward. Mahogany, rosewood or black walnut should be rubbed with linseed oil or crude petroleum, a very little being put on at a time and rubbed in thoroughly until the surface looks like a mirror. If the rubbing is done once every two weeks, it is not at all difficult to get a good shine in a short time, but the first application may require longer. Any of the natural woods that are not varnished can be polished in the same way, but varnished surfaces should be washed with water in which tea leaves have been steeped for half an hour. This will make them much brighter than if washed with soap and water, and, unlike the latter, will not remove the gloss.

Where Pumice Stone Comes From.

We often hear it remarked, and particularly after the eruption of a volcano, that pumice stone ought to be plentiful and cheap, as quantities must have been ejected during the volcanic disturbance. As a matter of fact, however, none of the white stone in general use is obtained from active volcanoes. It comes from the deposits of the article discovered in one or two quarters of the globe, the best of which is at present to be found in the island of Lipari, situated in the Tyrrhenian sea. The island is mountainous in character and consists of tuffs and lavas, and of highly siliceous volcanic products. The district where the stone is found is called Campo Blanco or Monte Petalo, 1,500 feet above the level of the sea.

After riding a considerable distance, partly along precipitous paths sufficiently dangerous to be interesting and partly through vineyards and over grassy plains, one almost comes suddenly upon a seemingly snow clad valley, inclosed by hills, also quite white, and the whole glaringly bright on a sunny day. Into those hills workmen are unceasingly digging deep burrows, working within by candlelight. In their excavations they come across many lumps of pumice stone, which are placed in baskets, subsequently being conveyed along the valley to the seashore, where small boats are loaded and sail to the seaport near by, where the stone is sorted, packed and shipped to distant parts either by way of Messina or Leghorn.—Popular Science News.

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"What have you got, Jake?" asked De Villiers.

"Eight hundred, and I'll draw fine on the right hand one."

"That's me, but I'll aim a trifle high for the next, for he's a little beyond."

From the knee rest, after a deliberate aim, both fired almost together. De Villier's buck merely kicked a few times, and the other one ran but a few jumps. The first one was shot through the shoulders, the other through the liver a foot too far back.

It is not stated whether it was yards or meters that "800" meant, but it does not matter—at 800 feet it would have been a mighty hard shot to make through heated air at a 250 pound animal.

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A. J. MARSHALL, Attorney. de 19 20t

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DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 P. M., Warsaw 9.10 P. M., Goldsboro 10.10 P. M., Wilson 11.06 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.57 P. M., Weldon 1.43 A. M., †Norfolk 10.30 A. M., Petersburg 3.14 A. M., Richmond 4.00 A. M., Washington 7.41 A. M., Baltimore 9.08 A. M., Philadelphia 11.25 A. M., New York 2.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.40 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.21 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 4.00 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 5.09 P. M., Chadbourn 5.41 P. M., Marion 6.43 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9.10 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 5.12 A. M., Augusta 8.20 A. M., Macon 11.30 A. M., Atlanta 12.55 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.50 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 5.25 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.03 P. M., *New York 9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 8.40 A. M., Weldon 11.52 A. M., Tarboro 12.12 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.47 P. M., Wilson 2.37 P. M., Goldsboro 3.20 P. M., Warsaw 4.11 P. M., Magnolia 4.24 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.01 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.45 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.22 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.53 A. M., Magnolia 8.05 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 11.59 A. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.18 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.27 P. M., Jacksonville 7.40 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Columbia 7.00 A. M., Atlanta 8.20 A. M., Macon 9.30 A. M., Augusta 3.05 P. M., Denmark 4.25 P. M., Sumter 8.25 A. M., Florence 10.05 A. M., Marion 10.44 A. M., Chadbourn 11.45 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.16 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.30 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.10 A. M.; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 8.30 A. M. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrive Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 P. M.; arrives Nashville 5.05 P. M., Spring Hope 5.30 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 8.00 A. M., Nashville 8.35 A. M.; arrive Rocky Mount 9.05 A. M., daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, Daily except Sunday, at 11.20 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.17 A. M.; arrive Latta 10.35 A. M., Dillon 10.47 A. M., Rowland 11.02 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.01 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.38 P. M., Latta 6.46 P. M., Pee Dee 7.05 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Conway 2.10 P. M.; leave Conway 2.45 P. M., Chadbourn 5.45 P. M.; arrive Hub 6.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6.27 P. M., Manning 6.58 P. M.; arrive Lane's 7.36 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.28 A. M., Manning 9.05 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.35 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.55 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.14 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3 P. M. arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M., 5.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.55 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.28 A. M., Cheraw 11.40 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 8.15 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.40 P. M., Hartsville 9.35 P. M., Bennettsville 9.36 P. M., Gibson 10.00 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only at 9.55 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.27 A. M., Hartsville 11.10 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except sunday at 6.15 A. M., Bennettsville 6.41 A. M., arrive Darlington 7.40 A. M. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday at 6.45 A. M.; arrive Darlington 7.30 A. M.; leave Darlington 9.00 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.25 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Hartsville Sunday only at 8.20 A. M., Darlington 9.05 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.25 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.20 P. M., 11.16 P. M.; arrive Selma 3.15 P. M., Smithfield 3.22 P. M., Dunn 4.00 P. M., Fayetteville 4.47 P. M., 1.14 A. M., Rowland 6.13 P. M.; returning leave Rowland 11.02 A. M., Fayetteville 12.22 P. M., 10.15 P. M., Dunn 1.05 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M., Selma 1.50 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 12.09 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M.; arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning leave Denmark 4.25 P. M., Creston 5.30 P. M., Sumter 6.25 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M.; arrive Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M.; arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliot 11.10 A. M. and 8.05 P. M.; arrive Lucknow 1.00 P. M. and 9.05 P. M. Returning leave Lucknow 6.05 A. M. and 2.00 P. M.; arrive Elliot 8.25 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.

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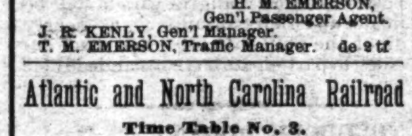

To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. 3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	
....	4 33	Kinston........	10 12	
5 35	5 45	Newbern........	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 02	Morehead City..	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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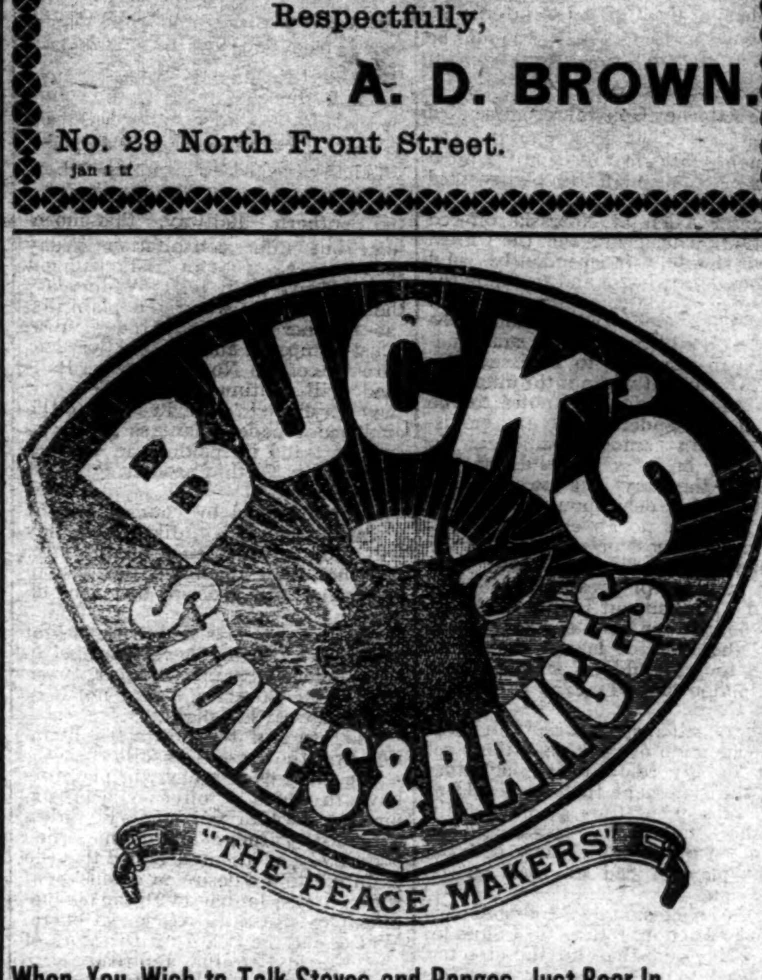

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At the close of Business Dec. 15th, 1897, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.			LIABILITIES.		
Loans		$587,834 69	Capital		$125,000 00
Overdrafts		68 38	Surplus	$55,000 00	
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds (at par)		55,000 00	Undivided profits	20,404 01—	75,404 01
Banking House and Fixtures		1,000 00	Circulation		49,500 00
Due from other Banks	$219,398 57		Total Deposits		690,691 58
Cash on hand	68,294 00—	287,692 57			
Total		$940,595 59	Total		$940,595 59

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Dec. 15, '95.	Dec. 15, '96.	Dec. 15, '97.
Surplus and Net Profits	$52,000	$62,400	$75,400
Bills Payable and Re-discounts	NONE.	NONE.	NONE.

Dividends paid—6 per cent, per annum.

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:41 A. M., Raleigh 3:30 P. M., Sanford 5:03 P. M., Hamlet 6:53 P. M., Rockingham 7:30 P. M., Wadesboro 8:11 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., Athens 3:45 A. M., and Atlanta 6:20 A. M. Connection at Weldon with train from Richmond and all Northern points. Pullman sleeper, Portsmouth to Nashville, Tenn.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 4:10 P. M., Richmond 8:56 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M. Arrives Weldon 11:10 P. M., Raleigh 2:07 A. M., Sanford 3:35 A. M., Hamlet 5:10 A. M., Rockingham 5:33 A. M., Wadesboro 5:54 A. M., Monroe 6:43 A. M., Charlotte 7:50 A. M., Lincolnton 10:20 A. M., Shelby 11:18 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:30 noon, Athens 1:15 P. M., Atlanta 3:50 P. M. Connections at Atlanta for all points South and West. Pullman Sleeper, Washington to Atlanta, and Portsmouth to Chester.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon. Connects at Hamlet with trains from Washington, Portsmouth, Charlotte and Atlanta.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 1:00 P. M. Arrives Athens 3:16 P. M., Monroe 9:30 P. M. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 P. M., arrives Shelby 5:55 P. M., Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:18 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M., Wadesboro 10:31 P. M., Rockingham 11:05 P. M., Hamlet 11:20 P. M., Sanford 1:02 A. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:18 A. M., Washington 12:31 noon. Pullman Sleepers, Atlanta to Washington and Chester to Portsmouth.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M., arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 7:00 A. M., arrives Hamlet 7:50 A. M.

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In Effect November 28th, 1897.

NORTH BOUND.	No. 2 DAILY.
Leave Wilmington	9 00 A. M.
Arrive Fayetteville	12 10 P. M.
Leave Fayetteville	12 22 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 27 "
Leave Sanford	1 48 "
Leave Climax	3 47 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 20 "
Leave Greensboro	4 30 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 17 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 17 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 15 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 45 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 40 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 04 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 33 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 06 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 15 P. M.
Leave Climax	12 43 "
Leave Sanford	2 36 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 55 "
Arrive Fayetteville	4 00 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 10 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4 DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 02 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3 DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 50 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	5 07 "
Leave Red Springs	5 43 "
Arrive Maxton	6 11 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16 Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 25 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15 Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 35 P. M.
Leave Stokesdale	1 25 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 45 "
Leave Greensboro	3 15 "
Leave Climax	4 25 "
Arrive Ramseur	6 10 "

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At Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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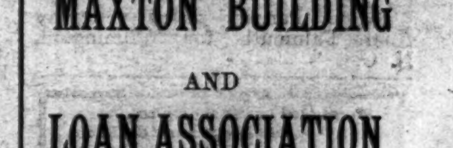

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STATE OF TRADE MORE ENCOURAGING.

Bradstreet's Report on the Business Situation---Industrial Activity Specially Notable---Failing off in Failures.

By Telegraph to The Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: The year opens with a tone of quiet confidence pervading nearly all the branches of business, with encouraging activity in the iron trade, a resumption of work by many thousands of industrial employes in the Western glass industries, a largely reduced volume of business failures as compared with corresponding periods in preceding years and a general outlook certainly not inferior to any previous year at this time. Distributive trade has naturally been rather slow, pending stock-taking and the return of salesmen to the field. While the volume of distributive business is no larger, industrial activity is a special feature unconfined to any one section, but specially notable in the West. Resumption of work after the holidays has been generally encouraging in that section. Autumn weather in the Northwest checks distribution, but collections are reported good. Sales of Southern iron are large. Louisiana sugar crop returns have been very satisfactory. Nine-tenths of Florida's orange crop was gathered before the late freeze and cotton is steady and in good export demand. Wool has opened up actively at some Eastern markets and lower prices for cotton goods have stimulated some demand.

Naturally enough, there is a slight gain in the number of failures reported this week over last, the total aggregating 333, against 297 last week, but a heavy falling off from 1895, when the total was 488. The total in this week of 1896 was 446, in 1895, 405, and in 1894, 484, thus showing a falling off from this week in recent preceding years of from one-quarter to one-third.

Bank failures in 1897 followed the general tendency in business mortality in all other lines of business. The reputation of the banking community for conservatism, however, is borne out by the relatively heavier falling off in the number of failures and the reduced volume of liabilities of banks and trust companies, as compared with preceding years, than in ordinary commercial circles. The total number of failures of national, state, savings and private banks and loan and trust companies in 1897 was 105, a little more than half of those of 1896 and less than one-fifth those of the panic year 1893. Liabilities also show a heavy falling off, being sixty per cent. smaller than 1896 and 90 per cent. smaller than 1893. The number of liabilities, however, was slightly larger than 1894. The percentage of assets to liabilities in 1897 was only 76, the smallest reported since Bradstreets record of bank suspensions begun. There were forty-eight business failures in the Dominion of Canada this week, against twenty-two last week and sixty-five in this week a year ago.

TWO DISABLED STEAMERS.

One From and the Other Bound To Wilmington.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. MICHAELS, AZORES, Jahuary 7.—The British steamer Madura, Captain Fair, from Cardiff, December 23rd, for Wilmington, N. C., has pnt in here with machinery disabled.

The British steamer Corinthia, from Wilmington, N. C., for Ghent, previously reported towed in here disabled, by the North German Loyd steamer Kaiser Wilheim II, is strained considerably, the bottom of the high-pressure cylinder is cracked, the piston tail rods are bent, boilers are shifted and the main steam pipes are broken, The Kaiser Wilhelm II towed the Corinthia eighty miles from where she picked her up at sea.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

No Change for the Better---Prices Still Low---Demand Light.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 7.—The market for dry goods has undergone no change for the better. The situation in staple cottons and similar lines is still much strained. Prices are still very low and the demand exceedingly light. Labor troubles in some eastern manufacturing centres complicates. On the other hand woolen goods of all descriptions show a lively and well sustained market, both in men's wear and woman's dress goods. Other lines of dry goods about normal. Knit goods show very little change from previous form, but are in fair shape. Imported silks, dress goods, linens, and other foreign fabrics are in less enviable position but the demand is fairly well sustained.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, January 7th, 1898.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 7.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending Jan. 7:

	1898.	1897.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	293,884	168,665
Total receipts to this date.....	5,800,825	5,050,795
Exports for week..	214,583	167,900
Total exports to date.....	3,926,239	3,537,139
Stock in all U. S. ports.....	1,248,196	1,208,931
Stock at all interior towns.....	618,381	531,500
Stock in Liverpool,	910,000	1,071,000
American afloat for Great Britain...	300,000	373,000

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CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

A Resolution for Free Coinage of Silver Introduced in the Senate by Allen.

SENATOR TELLER'S SPEECH.

Denounces Statement That Silvermen are Trying to Disrupt McKinley's Cabinet ---The Government in the Grasp of the Money Power.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 7.—At the opening of the session of the Senate today the reply of the Attorney General to the Senate resolution calling upon members of the Cabinet to inform the Senate what, if any, change should be made in the administration of the civil service law, was read.

The Attorney General recommended that attorneys employed by the Department of Justice and deputy United States marshals ought to be excepted from the operation of the law.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, offered a resolution declaring that the United States should, independently and without delay, begin and continue the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. That such coinage should be supplemented by a safe and sound national paper money, to be issued by the Government without the intervention of banks, the notes to be full legal tender and to be issued in an amount sufficient to meet the business demands of the country; that any increase of the interest bearing debt should be prohibited, and that no government bonds should be issued or sold except by specific act of Congress, and then only in cases of pressing necessity; that the government in the discharge of its obligations should use its option as to the kind of lawful money in which they should be paid; and that such option should never be surrendered.

Senator Allen spoke briefly in favor of the adoption of the propositions set forth in his resolution, concluding with the statement that he would at some subsequent time go more fully into the details of his reasons and the reasons of the Populist party in favor of the plan he had set forth in the resolution.

At the conclusion of Senator Allen's remarks Senator Teller, of Colorado, rose. He said that he didn't often give heed to publications concerning himself or the convictions of those who believed as he believed upon financial or other questions, but he felt that a statement recently published—which is now going the rounds of the press—was a gratuitous insult to those who believed upon the financial question as he believed. "This statement shows," said he, "that many of those who attempt to deal with this question have no proper comprehension of it."

Senator Teller then read from a newspaper the article of which he complained. In brief, it charged that the recent reports to the effect that the Secretary of the Treasury had tendered his resignation were the result of a conspiracy to create trouble between the President and his Secretary of the Treasury and perhaps to disrupt the cabinet.

"I resent most emphatically the imputation that any other but the broadest considerations and reasons have influenced me or moulded my sentiments. I ought not to be charged with such a dirty insinuation as is contained in this article.

"It is perfectly plain that to-day the Republican party is the party of the gold standard and it is equally plain that there is no distinction between the sentiments of the President and the Secretary of the Treasury upon the question."

Senator Chandler, New Hampshire, declared that the Senator from Colorado (Teller) was doing much to prevent the successful fruition of the efforts to bring about international bimetallism.

"I should like to bring about international bimetallism," said Senator Teller, "and I think I have done as much to bring it about as any man in this chamber if I except the Senator who sits in front of me (Allison). When he returned from Europe, however, without success, I felt that it was practically useless to proceed further in that direction."

Incidentally Senator Teller drifted into a discussion of the foreign relations of the United States. He maintained that the money power held the country so firmly within its grasp that the government was unable to take such action upon foreign questions as the people desired should be taken. He hoped that the time would soon come when we could say to a fifth-rate power like Spain: "Take your hands off that bountiful island—an island which you have nearly depopulated—and say it, too, without fear of the opinion of the money power.

"I do not believe," said Senator Teller, "that war would result if we should put out our hands to support Cuba. It would be a humane thing for us to do—a reasonable and just act. The French came to us at a time when we were struggling as are the Cubans, and it is doubtful whether we could have achieved our independence without their aid."

Reverting to the financial question, Senator Teller said: "I attack the Republican party because it is the party of the gold standard. I hope to see it go down in 1900, and I pledge you that I will do everything in my power to drag it down."

Senator Butler, of North Carolina, presented a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution, providing for the election of the federal judiciary. The resolution went to the table to permit Senator Butler to make a speech on it.

At 2.45 the Senate went into executive session, and at 3.10 adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Civil Service debate continued throughout the day in the House. All efforts to fix a time for its termination failed, and it is certain now to run over into next week. The interest in the discussion does not seem to be waning. The debate to-day was without marked incident.

Mr. Gillette, Republican, of Massachusetts, opened the debate in support of the bill. He maintained that the arguments of Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Landis against the law were both in reality strong arraignments of the spoils system. He denied that the scope of the Executive order of May 6th, 1896, was not understood when the St. Louis platform was adopted.

Mr. Gillette commented wittily on the spectacle of the white haired veteran, General Grosvenor, leading the young Hot Spurs of the party in the battle for the spoils and said it recalled to his mind the words Macauldy placed in the mouth of Henry of Navarre at the battle of Ivry:

"Press where you see my white plume shine,
'Midst the ranks of war,
And be your oriflamme to-day the head
Of Grosvenor."

Mr. Faris, Republican, Indiana, spoke in opposition to the law. He declared that the Republican party was not responsible for the civil service law.

Mr. Cummings, Democrat, New York, announced himself an implacable foe of the whole system of civil service reform. "The system is doomed," said he, "and one of the factors in its destruction is Tammany Hall."

Mr. Mahoney, Republican, New York, said if he were not allowed to vote for a modification of the law he was one of those who would vote for its repeal.

Mr. Kerr, Republican, favored the modification of the law.

At 4.55 the House adjourned.

NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD LEASE.

No Testimony Taken Yesterday---Further Hearing Adjourned to Wednesday of Next Week.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., January 7.—A special from Salisbury to the *Observer* to-night says:

No testimony was heard before Special Master Craige in the lease case to-day. The attorneys for the plaintiffs had expected to examine Col. A. B. Andrews, first vice president of the Southern Railway, this morning, but after consultation to-day they agreed to an adjournment of the Court until next Wednesday, the 12th instant, when the plaintiffs, the Southern Railway, the Central Trust Company, and the old Board of Directors of the North Carolina Railroad, will continue their evidence, if they mayhave to offer, in reply to the evidence of the defendants as to this issue of fraud in making the 99 year lease of the North Carolina Railroad to the Southern.

I am informed by counsel for the plaintiffs that it is unlikely that they will offer any evidence on the 12th, but that they appointed the day in order that if they desire they may do so.

All the attorneys and witnesses at yesterday's hearing have returned to their homes, Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern, went north in his private car last night.

The future of the protracted litigation over the lease is as follows:

The sixty days which the plaintiffs have in which to offer evidence expire on the 16th of January, unless extended by Judge Simonton, which is unlikely, as it is understood that the plaintiffs do not desire an extension of time. After January 16th the defendants, Gov. Russell, Attorney General Walser and the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Railroad have twenty days in which to offer evidence in rebuttal of that introduced by the plaintiffs.

Upon the expiration of the defendants' time on February 5th, Special Master Craige will send in all the evidence adduced in his court to Judge Charles H. Simonton of the United States Circuit Court, who will render his decision as to whether or not there was fraud in the lease when he sees fit.

VISIBLE SUPPLY OF COTTON.

Secretary Hester's Statement Shows an Increase in Movement Into Sight Compared With Last Year.

By Telegraph to The Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, January 7.—Secretary Hester's weekly Cotton Exchange statement shows an increase in the movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year in round figures of 181,000 bales. For the 129 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the 129 days of last year, 1,042,000 bales. The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports 5,948,802 bales, against 5,115,829 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 716,844 bales against 573,571 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 556,858 bales against 409,726 last year; Southern mill takings, exclusive of the amount consumed at Southern outports, 490,487 bales, against 461,987 last year. Foreign exports for the week have been 207,788 bales, against 140,682 last year, making the total thus far this season 3,975,729 bales, against 3,573,803 last year. Northern mill takings during the past week show an increase of 16,456 bales, as compared with the corresponding period last year, and their total takings since September 1st have increased 285,856. Stocks at the seaboard and the twenty-nine leading Southern interior centres have increased during the week 34,854 bales, and are now 112,536 in excess of this date last year. Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop year, the supply to date is 7,720,045 bales, against 6,899,638 for the same period in last year.

NEW ORLEANS, January 7.—Secretary Hester figures the world's visible supply of cotton at 4,380,441 bales, against 4,271,662 last week and 4,220,333 last year. Of the former amount, 4,134,441 bales is American cotton.

MURDERERS HANGED.

Three Notorious Criminals Executed on the Same Gallows--One Confessed to Ten Murders.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan, 7—Three negro murderers were hanged at Hahnville, a small town in St. Charles, Parish today. Louis Richards, alias Pierre, alias Creole, by the latter name being notorious, was one of the trio. Together with George Washington and Foxli Morris he was sentenced to death for murdering and robbing a Jewish peddler, named Louis Zeigler, last June on Ellington plantation near Hahnville.

Creole confessed, implicating the other two and with the assistance of hif statement, the authorities obtained conclusive evidence of their guilt. Creole also confessed that since 1884 he had murdered at least nine men and one colored woman on various plantations and that not for a single one was he ever arrested. His victims were principally Italians and Jews who made a living by peddling among plantation negroes. Close investigation revealed that his confession was entirely correct and it cleared numerous murder mysteries of years ago.

The total bank clearings in the United States for the week were $1,418,589,759; per cent. increase 23.6. Exclusive of New York $550,508,112; per cent. increase 16.2.

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IS PRACTICALLY UNCHANGED.

The Senatorial Situation in Ohio Gives Hanna's Friends Very Little Encouragement.

LONG DEAD-LOCK EXPECTED.

Mass Convention of Republicans to be Held Monday---Democrats Will Caucus---Kurtz Will be the Candidate of the Opposition.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBUS, O.—The Senatorial situation is practically unchanged, Senator Hanna's managers were apparently more cheerful to-day, but the cause was not apparent. They have adopted quite a different policy in their canvas from that followed at the beginning of the contest here, and are now following the tactics of Mr. Kurtz, leader of the opposition whose strong suit has been to conceal everything possible from the Hanna people. It is not so easy now to secure inside information from the Hanna headquarters and this policy is approved by the Senator's supporters.

The effort of the steering committee to whip the Democratic members of the Legislature into line to vote for a Republican for Senator has been as successful as was expected. As a result it is stated positively to-night that that there will be a caucus of the Democratic members next Monday night.

The purpose of the caucus is to locate the doubtful members and pledge those who are willing to carry out the proposed fusions so that enough men can be kept in line to insure the maintenance of a deadlock should one be forced.

The most reliable information to-night is that Mr. Kurtz will be proposed as the candidate of the opposition both for the long and the short terms. It is believed by the Democratic leaders now that Mr. Kurtz will be more acceptable to the majority of the Democratic members of the Legislature than any other man.

There was a resumption of activity about the anti-Hanna headqnarters early in the evening when Allen O. Myers left the city on an early train and returned in the afternoon with information that was apparently satisfactory to Mr. Kurtz. The opponents of Senator Hanna are as confident as ever of winning.

Senator Hanna spent a comparatively quiet day at the Neil House.

The activity of his supporters was unabated, however. Speculation on the vote for Senator was not changed.

Mr. Hanna's managers are following the tactics of the opposition and are not giving any figures. It is generally believed now that the vote on the first ballot will show Mr. Hanna's strength to be about the same as in the organization of the Legislature. The opposition will be divided. Two of the Hamilton county members are counted to vote for a free silver Republican. It is claimed by the leaders of the opposition that all the Democrats will stand together, but this claim is not borne out by information from other sources. It is claimed by some that at least twenty Democrats will refuse to attend the caucus, but this is probably exaggerated. More conservatively the number is placed at six to ten.

Indications to-night are that the opposition is preparing for a long deadlock.

The calling of a mass convention of Republicans in this city next Monday by the Republican State Executive Committee, to protest against the attempt to defeat Senator Hanna, somewhat disconcerted the opposition. They claimed that it was merely a move on the part of the Hanna people to intimidate the Republican members who refused to vote for Mr. Hanna. The calling of the convention has been generally endorsed, however, by the supporters of Mr. Hanna in all parts of the State, according to telegrams that have been received at the Hanna headquarters. It develops that the Kurtz people had decided to take advantage of the efforts of certain Republicans to throw cold water on the ceremonies attention the inauguration of Governor Bushnell. The Kurtz people thought the disapproval of Governor Bushnell's attitude would keep the Hanna Republicans away from the city, and they set about to bring a big crowd of Governor Bushnell's friends here. It is stated that for this purpose railroad tickets were sent to certain localities where the Governor's friends were thought to be numerous, for free distribution, for the purpose of bringing as many as possible to the city. The calling of the mass convention will now bring a large crowd of Hanna supporters to Columbus.

Agents of the Kurtz people were today endeavoring to place pictures of the Governor in the windows of business houses on all the principal streets. They met with considerable opposition and but few pictures appear. Preparations are being pushed for the inaugural by local committees despite the opposition. The inaugral parade will be made up chiefly ofmilitary, as nearly all of the political clubs that had decided to participate have rescinded their action.

THEODORE DURANT HANGED AT LAST.

The Murderer of Blanche Lamont---Hopeful to the Last That He Would Not Hang.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN QUENTIN, CAL., January 7.—When William Henry Theodore Durrant died on the gallows this morning for the murder of Blanche Lamont he gave such an exhibition of coolness and nerve as has seldom been seen under similar circumstances. Hopeful almost to the very last minute that something or some one would intervene to save him, he walked to the scaffold and made a speech, protesting his innocence as calmly and with as distinct enunciation as if he had been addressing an assemblage of friends upon some ordinary topic of the day. His face was pale, his eyes were red, but his voice wes firm and he stood as solidly as a rock while he proclaimed his innocence and professed forgiveness to those who, he said, had hounded him to death.

Durrant finished quietly and had scarcely ceased when the black cap was placed over his face.

In eleven minutes and twenty-eight seconds all signs of life had vanished and the most noted criminal of the nineteenth century was officially dead.

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NEWS BUDGET FROM RALEIGH.

Officers of the Southern Railway Summoned Before the Railroad Commissioners.

FREE PASS INVESTIGATION.

Claimed That Southern Has Violated the Law Since the Resolution of Last Week Was Passed---Telephone Rates Reduced.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 7.

Mr. W. Rex, the advance agent of Polk Miller, who was here yesterday, says that smallpox is seriously interfering with travelling men and theatrical organizations in South Carolina and Georgia. Mr. Rex says he has been forced to cancel several engagements on this trip. At one place he was denied admission to the town, and told to get out by shot-gun orders.

Mr. Thos. B. Heartt and Mr. C. D. Heartt, Jr., have purchased the Carolina Drug Co., for many years the John Y. MacRae pharmacy. Mr. Frank Heartt, of Durham, will come here and have the management of the enterprise.

Capt. E. B. Roberts, of the Revenue Department, has three quarter-of-a-dollar gold coins; they are tiny little affairs and were coined in 1871.

Otho Wilson followed close behind Governor Russell. He is now in Washington. Major J. W. Wilson was here to-day.

It is the opinion among lawyers here that the Supreme Court of the United States will adjudge Messrs. Caldwell and Pearson in contempt for violating the superseded. The two Wilsons will, they say, be restored to office pending a decision of the appeal before the Court. The case cannot be disposed of in less than twelve months.

[*Special Star Telegram*]

Chairman Caldwell of the Railway Commission has summoned Col. A. B. Andrews and his private secretary, Henry Miller, to appear before the Commission to-morrow morning, with records and stubs of all free passes issued during the past three years. It is claimed the Southern Railway has violated the free pass law since the Commission passed its resolution last week. The sheriff served summons on Miller, but Col. Andrews is out of town.

Division freight agent Munson and local agent Potts of the Southern were summoned to appear before the Commission this evening to give information as to whether the Southern gave Otho Wilson special rates to ship his mother's furniture to Round Knob. Munson appeared and asked for time to consult counsel, and time was granted him till to-morrow. Potts could not be found and Chairman Wilson said he had been told that Munson kept him away from the officer. He said Potts had better be on hand to-morrow.

The Commission passed an order reducing telephone rates in the State as follows: Places of business, special wire, thirty dollars per year; two and three party wire, twenty-four dollars; four and five party wire, eighteen dollars; residence phones, special wire, eighteen dollars; two and three party wire, sixteen dollars; four and five party wire, fourteen dollars. Abbott voted against the order.

The cruiser New York arrived at Newport News yesterday afternoon. She will take on 600 tons of coal before proceeding South.

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